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ON LEAVE OF ABSENCE.

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BY F. J. WILLOUGHBY.

Now, now I'm in my element!
The country I am in,
Where ev'rything is peaceful and
Removed from dust and sin!
How grand and solemn are these pines,
Each straight's a vessel's spar!
Delicious place! And yet—and yet—
How thick mosquitoes are!

Upon my dreamy ear there falls
The plash of water cool,
Yes, here it is—Narcissus like
I gaze into the pool.
Here will I sit me down to read
Jean Ingelow's dear book—
Lord! there's a nasty water snake
A crawling from the brook!

How merry are the singing birds!
How loud the insects hum!
And see! how very, very near
The striped squirrels come!
And there's a gaudy butterfly,
That floats upon the breeze;
And here are flowers filled with dew—
And horrid bumble bees!

At night here pipes the tree-toad loud;
And o'er the peevish rill
Deceitful moves the meteor spark,
And cries the Whip-poor-will;
Here screams the solemn, "moping owl,"
Here skims the dusky bat—
Upon my soul! I do detest
A gad-fly or a gnat!

Here grow the wild-grape and the plum,
The hazel-nut and beech;
And here the mottled rabbits lurk
Almost within your reach!
Around are strange, fantastic weeds,
And beds of rustling brakes—
Why couldn't Patrick, blessed Saint!
Eradicate our snakes?

One comes to loathe the pent-up town
When once he leaves the place,
And finds himself, the same as I,
Within the wood's embrace!
Here will I come, in Autumn time,
When trees are gaily drest,
For nuts—dear me! I've run full tilt
Against a hornet's nest!

Oh, if I had the limner's skill,
Or e'en the poet's lyre,
The view before me, then, I'd sketch,
Or rhyme in words of fire:
I'd paint yon sombre, silent mount,
This tree, that winding road;
I'd sing about this prattling stream—
But not that slimy toad!

That lonely woman* in her room,
Up stairs full many a flight,
Who sat and stitched—and stitched—and stitched,
From morn till dewy night—
Who sewed the "gusset," "band" and "seam"—
Well might she wish and call
For one brief respite from her toil—
How daddy longlegs crawl!

For this I wished, when prisoned in
The counting room's retreat;
I longed to smell the cowslip's breath,
And hear the young lambs bleat!
I longed "to feel for one short hour
As once I used to feel,
Before I knew"—these bull-frogs make
A Frenchman's choicest meal!"

For two short months I've wandered free,
And breathed God's blessed air,
Forgetting ledger, day-book, *time*,
And shaking off all care;
No more the silent, moody man,
I've grown to *love* a chat,
I've learned to be more cheerful—and
I've gained a grist of *fat*!

—— *See Hood's "Song of the Shirt."

THE TEMPTED SISTERS.

BY THE AUTHOR OF "NORA," "SHE WOULD BE AN ACTRESS," &c., &c.

CHAPTER XXVIII.—CONTINUED.

Mr. Acton, standing beside the bureau, took in the whole scene at a glance.

The door of a small conservatory stood open, and the air was filled with the sweet scent of the flowers it contained.

A puzzled expression passed over his face as he looked at the old gentleman.

"I can't make it out," he muttered to himself, as he extracted the will *from* an inner drawer and advanced towards the group.

"There is the will, sir," he said, as he opened it.

"You ought to be aware," turning to Lannay, "that Mr. Hilton made no conditions in his will; it was once read in your presence, I believe."

"It was," he replied.

"Very much against my will," Mr. Acton replied; "but I thought you were a friend of the family then."

"So did I," Lannay returned. "I was mistaken, it seems."

"We will proceed to business," the lawyer said stiffly. "There is the original will."

"My good, sir," the old gentleman said, "you are giving yourself a great deal of unnecessary trouble. We have no intention of disputing that will, which I have no doubt you drew up most carefully."

"Thank you," said Mr. Acton; "I feel honored by your opinion."

"But we have another will of a later date, which I can produce."

"Another will!—impossible!" exclaimed Blanche and Mr. Acton simultaneously.

"Not quite impossible," Lannay remarked. "I believe Mr. Clayton is prepared to prove his assertion."

"Fully prepared, not only to prove his words, but produce the document," said the gentleman referred to. "I hold a later will than that by six months, made when my old friend was in London seeking my advice and assistance relative to some portion of the Reardon property. You, sir, were on the continent at the time, I believe."

"I was," Mr. Acton replied. He began to fell quite puzzled. Mr. Hilton had been in London at the time named and for the purpose specified by this person.

"Why has so long a time been allowed to elapse before bringing it to light, if it has existed since that time?" Mr. Acton inquired.

"That the document itself will tell you," was the answer.

He drew from his capacious pocket a leathern case, and, opening it, produced the will. It was carefully endorsed and dated.

"Allow me," said Mr. Acton, and holding out his hand.

"Certainly," replied Mr. Josiah Clayton, surrendering the document.

Mr. Acton opened it, and Blanche looked over his shoulder with painful earnestness. He glanced first at the signature; all correct; there was the well known writing of his dead friend, witnessed by Thomas Rushet and another person. He stole a quick glance at the immovable figure of Mr. Anthony Rushet, who understood the look.

"My father," he said.

Mr. Acton nodded and proceeded to read. Everything was in form. The will set forth that the testator, being of sound mind and so forth, seeing the danger which might accrue to his niece, in her unprotected condition, from the evil practices of her father, Hugh de Cressey, hereby revoked all former wills and left the property to her in this wise! That she (Blanche de Cressey) should inherit all his property, so long as she abstained from seeing, or holding any communication with the said Hugh de Cressey, or appropriating any part of it or interest therefrom derived to his use; but in event of her proving disobedient to this injunction, the property to go solely and entirely to the next nearest of kin, who was to pay the said Blanche de Cressey the sum of one hundred and fifty pounds per annum for the term of her natural life.

Blanche listened in perfect terror to the words as they fell from Mr. Acton's lips. She could not believe the document to be a false one.

"Cruel, cruel!" she murmured. "Oh, poor father! what shall we do?"

"This appears all perfectly correct, gentlemen," Mr. Acton remarked; "and should it prove so my client shall have the best counsel I can give in the matter, which will be to act as an honorable woman should, and submit."

"I knew you would say so; I was sure of it. I always heard you were an honorable man," said Mr. Clayton. "Permit me to shake you by the hand."

"All in good time, sir," said Mr. Acton, concealing the disgust he felt at the hypocrisy of the stranger.

"Had you not better retire, my dear young lady?" the old man went on, addressing Blanche. "The discussion of details such as these must necessarily be very painful to you."

"Miss de Cressey will remain," was the reply, with a restraining look at Blanche, who, in her agitation, would have left the room. "In a matter so nearly touching her interests there can be no details she may not hear."

"As you wish," Lannay remarked. "Have you any further questions to ask her?"

"I have," was the unhesitating reply. "Where are the proofs?"

"Proofs?" exclaimed Lannay. "Of what?"

"Of the authenticity of this will you have produced," he answered.

"I think it speaks for itself," Lannay retorted. "But you can easily have further proofs if you want them. The father of Mr. Rushet is still alive, and the widow of the other witness will attest his signature."

"I have no doubt of all that," Mr. Acton replied; "but how am I to be sure of this gentleman's identity with Mr. Hilton's old friend?"

"That is easily proved, I should imagine," the old gentleman replied. "I fancy Josiah Clayton is well enough known in London, and elsewhere, too, not to require to prove his identity at the order of any one who may wish to annoy him."

"I did not speak to annoy you, sir," the lawyer answered, calmly, "but this is a matter of grave importance."

"I know it, I know it," he answered; "and had I been prepared for a scrutiny of this kind I might have provided myself with the proofs you want. As it is, I fear I have nothing about me—stay," he went on, fumbling in his pockets. "There is something; here's a letter I received but this morning from my old housekeeper, Mary Giles. Will that restore your confidence?"

Mr. Acton took the letter in wondering silence. There it was with, yesterday's London post mark fresh upon it—an odd, sprawling, uneducated female hand, addressed to "Honored Master," and speaking of household events that could be known only to those interested in them, and addressed:—"Mr. Josiah Clayton, Union Hotel, Plymouth."

"Are you satisfied now?" Lannay asked with a sneer.

Mr. Acton was silent; he was not satisfied, though he did not know what to say, and he returned the letter without a word.

"Now who can doubt my identity?" said the old man triumphantly.

"I can," said a voice which made them all start to their feet, for it belonged to none in the room.

It came from the conservatory, which was almost in darkness, and Blanche shrieked aloud and hid her face on Mr. Acton's bosom, as there stepped forth into the light a figure, the living counterpart of the one that had but now sat at the table.

"What mummery is this?" said Lannay, though his teeth chattered as with ague as he spake.

"No mummery on my part, gentlemen, whatever there may be on yours," said the new comer, advancing. "I am Josiah Clayton."

"It is false," said Lannay, forgetting his gentlemanly manner in his surprise. "False as hell!"

"True as heaven!" exclaimed another voice, and Gilbert Bertram sprang into the room and stood by the old man's side.

Hubert Lannay crowded beneath the glance of the man he supposed he had murdered.

CHAPTER XXIX.

"You here!" gasped Lannay.

"Yes, here!" replied Gilbert. "Here to foil your schemes, deep laid and clever as they are! "You thought that I was silenced to all eternity, did you not, when your hand hurled me from the top of yonder craig into the deep water below, to seek the doom your cowardice intended?"

"You rave!" Lannay retorted. "How are you going to prove that I assaulted you? I was not in England at that time, man."

"Not in England when you read that false will under the shadow of yonder beeches!" Gilbert exclaimed.

"Prove it," said Lannay, coolly.

"I will," said Gilbert; and at a signal from him a man stepped out from the conservatory. It was Pharos the gipsy.

"Now, will you swear you were not in England at that time?" he asked.

"Not exactly, I reckon," said Pharos; "too many of us know it."

Lannay quailed for a moment, but he was not crushed yet.

"And if I were," he said, "what has it to do with Mr. Bertram?"

"This," said Gilbert, "that on the night I spoke of there were other listeners than myself; other's ears than mine heard the contents of that parchment there, and listened while you told the story of your wife's murder."

Lannay started to his feet.

"Liar!" he shouted, menacing Gilbert with his clenched hand. "What fiend of darkness sent you here to torture me? I will not stay longer to be insulted thus!"

He moved to the door as he spoke, and, throwing it open, said:—"I have the honor of wishing Mr. Bertram and his myrmidons good-night!"

Gilbert smiled, and the next moment Lannay started back with an exclamation of rage and despair. In the passage was a sergeant of police and two of his men.

"No use, Mr. Lannay, no use," said the man. "We have been waiting for you a long time."

"Indeed!" he replied. "On what charge, pray?"

"On a good many," he answered. "Forgery and attempted murder, among the rest; and when I have done with you, I have orders to hand you over to the authorities at Antwerp, to answer for sundry little peccadilloes abroad."

"I have committed no forgery," Lannay coolly said. "Perhaps not with your own fingers," the sergeant answered, "but you aided and abetted this man here, one Gustave de Ververais, otherwise Mons. Auguste Delaplerre, in the commission of the deed. I have another charge against him," he continued, placing his hand upon the shoulder of the respectable old gentleman who had read the will; "that of this morning entering the apartments of Mr. Josiah Clayton yonder, in the disguise of a waiter, and stealing therefrom the clothes he now wears, and the letter he produced a few minutes ago, as proof of his identity."

If Lannay was no coward his friend and follower was, and he shrank in piteous terror from the touch of the policeman, making no resistance and uttering not a word.

"I am ready to go with you," Lannay said, trying to brave it out. "But there is no charge against me that I cannot easily disprove. I will make it all clear that it is only the malice of this person here, who, I suppose, is going to marry the heiress."

"Marry the heiress!" Gilbert repeated. "It was you who meant to marry the heiress, the dressmaker whom you were going to raise from her obscurity, and to make her the stepping stone to a position you could not otherwise win."

"You rave," Lannay said with a sneer, though his face worked with emotion he could not conceal.

"I do not rave," Gilbert replied.

"*Lie*, then," was Lannay's retort. "What could the next heiress be to me? I do not know her, and, for aught I know, I am a married man; true, my wife has forsaken me, but she is none the less my wife, and you all know I have the honor to be brother-in-law to Miss de Cressey."

"Stay, Pierre Dupont!" Gilbert said, solemnly. "Add no more perjury to the black list of crimes already recorded against you. Answer me one question ere you go to answer to offended justice for what you have done. Where is the Hubert Lannay who once wore the jewel that glitters on your finger?"

"I am not bound to answer any questions of yours," was his answer, though his assumed courage was fast leaving him, and his teeth chattered as he spoke. The name of Pierre Dupont from Gilbert's lips had told him he was known.

"This ring was a legacy from a dear friend, and my name is engraved upon it."

"I know that," Gilbert answered, seizing the hand which Lannay held out in bravado. "There is the name, but at *this* date you did not bear it. When these words were engraved *you* were Pierre Dupont, condemned to the galleys for life, for robbery and murder committed near your own home in Gascony."

Lannay's face was white, and his lips moved as if to speak, but no sound came from his parched throat.

"The proof of what I say will meet you in the police office," Gilbert said. "'Tis to the laws of your own country you will have to answer for the crime that made you Hubert Lannay. One word more and *my* errand is accomplished. I ask you, forger! robber! branded assassin! What have you done with your wife?"

There was a fearful solemnity in his tone which struck upon all present, and Lannay sank cowering into his chair, appalled by the look upon the face of his accuser. He made one more effort, however, and was rousing himself to fling back the accusation with curses and imprecations, when the conservatory was lit with the dim radiance of a lamp, and, moving slowly through the flowers and shrubs, came the form of his wife. Her face was pale as the dress she wore, and she carried a lamp in her hand. Her husband covered his face with his hands.

"Back! back!" he yelled. "Haunt me not!" torture me not! Is it possible there is truth in the legends that fools would make us believe, that the dead can rise and gloat over the misery of the living!"

"Hubert," said Pauline, "it is I—your wife—Pauline."

JOHN C. STROUP, The Clever Light-Weight Jockey.

For Biography see Page 323.

"I know, I know," said the miserable man. "My wife come from her resting place in yonder river to accuse her husband, and hurl his soul to hell! Away! away! I defy you all!"

A quick movement of his hand was prevented by his wife, and the report of a pistol rang through the house; another moment, and he would have been a corpse at her feet.

"What would you do?" she asked.

"Rid the world of my presence," he answered sullenly, his fear o'ermastered by her touch, "and you, since it is you in life still, of your husband. "You shall not send me to the *gallows*, be sure of that."

"Leave him, dear Madame Lannay," Mr. Acton said. "Your presence can do no good."

Pauline prepared to obey, and the officers took possession of their prisoners, Blanche recognising in the *third* person the courier who had traveled with her on part of her continental journey. How he became implicated in the plot the reader knows.

Arrived at the prison, Lannay was entrusted to the special care of an experienced keeper, who was enjoined to watch him carefully, as he had already attempted his life.

He was thoroughly searched, and every precaution taken in vain.

The massive head of a gold pin which he wore contained a sufficient amount of a deadly poison to effect his purpose, and his jailor came to his bedside to find his prisoner dying.

He instantly gave the alarm, but the governor only arrived in time to witness the last breath of the suicide.

Hubert Lannay had kept his word—he did not die on the gallows.

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The spring flowers were bursting out into their fullest beauty, and the soft breezes came over the blue sea, bringing life and health upon their wings.

Reardon's stately pile shone with a queenlike beauty in the bright sunshine, when a joyous bridal party issued from the princely portal.

Gilbert Bertram was about to call the hand he had so dearly won his own, and Blanche was going to give hers, "with her heart in it," to the man she had so long and so faithfully loved.

Theirs was no pompous bridal; they neither of them cared for the pomp and ceremony of a fashionable wedding.

The poor and aged, who heaped blessings on their heads, and the little children who strewed the pathway with flowers, were fitter and far more welcome guests at their happy bridal.

Their way to church was literally a path of flowers, for the children of the village school had loaded themselves with the loveliest blossoms to strew in their way, and more than one fragrant bunch of violets fell into the carriage, and scattered their fresh perfume over the veil of the fair young bride.

Never had Reardon church been the scene of such a wedding. Old and young, rich and poor, came from far and near to wish their fair young lady joy.

Mrs. Bertram and Hugh de Cressey were there—the former weeping for very happiness, and the latter, with something of his old dignity, returning the simple courtesy of the country people, who felt much reverence was due to "Miss Blanche's father."

Pauline, too, was there; her weeds cast aside for the day, leading in either hand a lovely child, and looking, though pale and wan, as if restored peace had come to her at last.

The service commences, and as the sun-light streams through the painted window on those golden curls, placing on them a coronal of gems of gorgeous hue, Gilbert looks back in memory to another wedding, and tears dim his eyes as he thinks of the faithful heart at rest so near him.

"Those whom God hath joined let no man put asunder." How solemnly, yet how joyfully, sound the words in Gilbert's ear as he prints a loving kiss on the brow of his fair young wife, and right joyously the bells ring out as he steps from the church porch and responds to the hearty cheer which swells up from the crowd as they meet and recognise him as master of Reardon.

THE END.

A CAT AND RAT STORY.—An exchange tells the following story, which is stated to have been related by a farmer residing near Peru:—"He was sitting in his barn silently engaged in mending an old harness, when he observed his favorite Tom cat cautiously approaching an opening between two barrels. Tom squatted near the point of observation, his tail moving with majestic slowness, his ears set forward inquiringly, while his body glided nearer and nearer to the opening. Suddenly he shot forward like a black bolt of lightning, and as quickly back again, bringing with him a huge rat. The rat struggled violently and squealed terribly, but Tom laughed, his long black tail proudly perpendicular. Tom laughed before he was out of the woods, for the terrible screams of his victim called a whole regiment of rats to the rescue. They rushed in upon Tom from every point of the compass, too swift and too numerous to be counted. Tom was surprised out of his discretion and sprung three feet from the floor, with a rat holding to each hind leg, and the rest eager for him to come down, of course, and then began a most fearful struggle. Tom swore terribly (in cat latin), and furious fell his blows. The rats fought in silence, except when Tom's sharp teeth met under the backbone of some luckless wretch. Tom was losing ground; the pressure was too great for him; he was down, two or three clinging to each leg—had a dozen at his throat and rats swarming all over him. At this critical moment an Amazon cat, with her two grown kittens, leaped from the hay mow and pitched in for Tom. This timely reinforcement soon ended the struggle. Tom limped away, bleeding freely, but the dead and dying victims of his prowess were no less than thirteen, besides the wounded that escaped—no prisoners taken."

THE END.

WRITTEN FOR THE NEW YORK CLIPPER,
BY "GIPSEY."

"I am dying, Paul, dying. Nay, start not, dearest; it is better so. Nay, nay, I know my cheeks are scarcely pale, my eyes more brilliant than of yore. Yet, when the autumn comes with its gentle hush, spreading its gorgeous drapery over the graves of the flowers, mine will be among them.

"Ay, hold me closer to your strong, true heart. Even in heaven I shall not be so happy as I have been here with you. All the darkness, all the coldness, all the sorrow of those long, weary, loveless years, passed away when you came into my life; and in these bright months, beneath these dreamy Italian skies, I have been supremely blest. I am happy, too happy for earth.

"Here, Paul, sit here in this bay window, where the golden sunshine glimmers through the heavy foliage. Here, beneath these splendid passion flowers, languid with odorous sweetness, fit emblems of our happy love, and let me lie in your arms, close to your heart. I'd feel its strong, fierce throbbing once more against my own.

"There, now I can look into your eyes, and never miss yon silvery lake, or the misty blue mountains beyond. Oh! Paul, Paul! How can I leave you? Kiss me again and again, for I shall be lonely in Heaven without you. Oh! my darling, how madly I have worshipped you. Not a wave or shadow in your clustering hair; not a curve or poise of the grand proud head; not a light in the wondrous depths of your dark brown eyes, but is indelibly impressed upon my soul, and even in the spirit land will thrill me with haunting memories.

"What, tears! Paul, have I made you weep? God knows I would give my soul to purchase you a moment's pleasure to save you an instant's pain. Ah, dearest! I am weak and frail, with a form like a child's. But, Paul! I never knew fear. They called me proud and cold; men of the world—the world which I gave for you—knelt at my feet, but I would not listen. Their vows were unheeded, my heart was frozen.

"And that cold, hard, heartless man who bought me with his gold. Oh! Paul, you never knew why I married him. I will tell you now. My father was aged, infirm and penniless; brothers, sisters, all dependent upon the labor of these small hands for bread. He came, this man, and with promises and sympathy won my father. Would I but marry him want should never again be ours. I detested the man and told him I would labor on, poor but free. But, Paul, I could not endure my father's grievous reproaches, my sister's tears, and I made the sacrifice. Mother's grave was green years before, and her daughter had no wise counsellor.

"For a few years my loved ones were happy. I endured life, I seemed made of ice, but I knew that some time the frozen barrier would be melted, that my long repressed nature would assert itself, and I lived in dread of the awakening. Worse still; father, brothers and sisters died, until I stood by the open grave of the last of my kindred, I the last of the name.

"'What shall it profit a man, if he gain the whole world and lose his own soul?' I felt that mine was lost. Then I knew you not, and I was utterly alone. Through all those weary years my heart had never throbbed at the sound of a coming footstep, the touch of a caressing hand. My husband cared nothing for me; nay, had told me long before that even then he loved another; but for what he was pleased to term my beauty, my grace, my genius, he would endure me and still give me the name of wife. He had loved my mother in her youth, been rejected for my father's sake, and for revenge had sworn that I, her daughter, should never know a happy hour.

"But Paul, dear Paul, we have been happy together—too happy, I fear, to last. Nay, dearest, look into my eyes; I do not doubt you. But oft times, when clasped in your arms, my head pillowed on your breast, your passionate kisses warm upon my lips, a spasm of pain at my heart has told me I was too blest for earth. And oh! my lover, master, king, it is better so. I could not lose one atom of your love and live. I could not bear even a cold glance from those dear eyes, which never yet held anything but devotion for me. Those cold, dark years feed the fire at my heart. The rich blood of the south-land ran in my veins, not with the slow, sluggish pulsation of the wintry north, where I was born, but with the quick heat and glow of molten fire. And, dearest, I think even you never knew what a fiery soul was mine; never dreamed the depth of my passion for you.

"But the fierce fever has burned up my life, and from this land of light, and flowers, and music; yes, and from your love and sheltering arms, dear, I must go.

"Pass me again, and again, Paul; I have talked long and am weary. There's a heavy pain in my heart, the same that I felt all those dreary years; it came as I spoke of them. The night cometh, and the air grows chill. Look into my eyes, dear Paul, and tell me once more that you love only me. Oh! love, you are kind.

"Thus, wrapped in your arms, your cheek close to mine, will I die. Even though I pass through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil; thy love hath comforted me. Another kiss—Paul—a—last—farewell."

AN APPRECIATIVE LADY.—Madame de Stael was a pitiless talker. Some gentlemen, who wished to teach her a lesson, introduced a person to her, who they said was a very learned man. The blue stocking received him graciously; but, eager to produce an impression, began to talk away, and asked a thousand questions, so engrossed with herself that she did not notice that her visitor made no reply. When the visit was over, the gentlemen asked Madame de Stael how she liked their friend. "A most delightful man!" was the reply; "what wit and learning!" Here the laugh came in—the visitor was deaf and dumb.

"IF YOU WANT a purely unsophisticated family pill," says a quack advertisement, "buy Dr. X——'s liver encouraging, kidney persuading, silent perambulators. Twenty-seven in a box. This pill is as mild as a pet lamb, and as searching as a fine tooth comb. It don't go fooling about; but attends strictly to business, and is as certain as an alarm clock."

AT A THEATRICAL performance in Troy, N. Y., a few nights ago, a colored youth sat in the gallery armed with a huge telescope, about two feet in length, which he used at occasional intervals as an opera glass. At prominent parts of the play he would level his glass at the stage and take a squint, to the no small delight of the audience.

SEA-SIDE FANCIES.

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Alone I wander on the sad sea beach,
And in my ear the ceaseless breakers roar;
Far out to sea my tired and dim eyes reach,
Looking for ships that come again no more.

No more! I stretch my old and wearied arms
Toward that vast, unboundable domain,
And cry—"What cruel, adverse Fate beclims?
Return, O ventured freights, to me again."

For, years ago, a freight of Love and Truth
To thee, O sea, all trustingly I sent,
And other ones of Innocence and Youth
And Hope and Faith upon thy bosom went.

In vain, in vain I've watched for their return;
The ships of other owners come and go!
The fire of Hope has almost ceased to burn—
The light of Faith is dim and glimmers low.

I see the merry fishers on the strand,
Drawing their nets in loud and laughing glee;
I wonder if the hearts of that rude band
Are really glad, or only seem to be.

I wonder if the laugh, the gibe, the jest,
Does not conceal some pang the bosom feels;
But what I wonder most is this—who isn't,
In goodness' name, that owns so many eels?

J. H. B.

MARRIED TO AN ACTRESS.

An Old Lady's Story.

WRITTEN FOR THE NEW YORK CLIPPER,
BY J. HARVEY SMITH.

Let me see! I guess it's ten years ago this May since our Charley went to New York as a clerk in a big house in Canal street; and how proud we were of him—father and I, I mean, to be sure, for he was our only child.

He was eighteen years of age when he left us that morning in May, and, as he was parting from us at the gate, father put his hand on his head and said:—

"Charley, I want you to promise me that you will shun bad company."

"I will, father," said Charley.

"And Charley," said I, "be sure and read your Bible every night and morning, and remember what you read, and practice it."

"Mother," said Charley, solemnly, "you shall never have just cause to be ashamed of your son, I promise you," and then he left us, and I felt contented, because I knew that Charley would never deceive us.

For three years Charley worked hard and wrote us letters twice a week or more, and every summer he spent two weeks with us. When he left us for the third time, "Susan," said father to me that night, "Charley's getting quite a man now; I guess he'll be thinking of getting a wife soon."

"Well," said I, "so that he marries a decent, respectable girl, I am sure I have no objection."

"And that he will be sure to do," said father. "I am sure that Charley will never disgrace us when he marries."

It was in December, I think, that we received a letter from Charley. I was beginning to get anxious about him, as we hadn't heard anything from him for more than a week, so you may be sure that the letter was a relief. I didn't read it then, but I kept it until after supper. When I had washed the dishes, and put everything to rights, I trimmed the lamp and put on my specs to read Charley's letter.

"There's something inside of it," said father, as he handed it to me. "Pears to be a card."

I opened the letter and out dropped a picture—on a card it was—I had never seen one before, for they wasn't as common as they are now. It was a picture of a young woman.

"Land sakes!" cried Jeremiah, holding up his hands when he saw it, "what a pretty creetur!"

And so she was, if the picture didn't lie. She was very fair, but she had jet black hair that hung in curls all around her head, and she had the prettiest mouth and nose I ever saw in all my life. And then her eyes! but gracious you needn't expect me to describe her—I can't.

"But who is she?" asked Jeremiah, "what does Charley send us her pictur' for, I'd like to know."

"Wait a moment," I said all in a flutter, "and I'll read the letter and then we'll find out the reason." And then I settled my specs on my nose—they had got somehow on the top of my head in my flurry—and I read the letter.

"NEW YORK, August 30th, 1864.

"DEAR MOTHER.—The picture that you will find enclosed in this letter is a portrait of Miss Viola Granger, or rather, I should say, of Mrs. Hunter, for she is now my wife!"

"Charley's wife!" cried Jeremiah.

I didn't say anything—I couldn't.

"Where in the world did Charley ever come to know such a handsome girl as that I wonder," said Jeremiah, after we had set for a couple of minutes staring at each other in a dazed sort of way.

"I'm sure I don't know," said I. "And he never told us he was going to be married. I'm sure he needn't be ashamed of such a wife as that. Why Squire Thornton's daughters ain't nothing to compare to her."

"Charley always was a smart chap," said Jeremiah, chuckling. "But read on, mother," sez he, "and let's hear all about her." Then I found the place where I had left off, and read on:—

"I am sure you will become very fond of her, if only for my sake. I shall bring her home with me next week to spend a few days with you. But perhaps you may be surprised at my not having mentioned anything about my intended marriage before. The reason was that I was afraid you might not like her."

"Not like her!" exclaimed Jeremiah. "Is the boy mad! Of course we'll like her. Not like her, indeed!"

"Now Jeremiah," said I. "You've made me lose the place again. Oh, here it is:

"Not like her, when if I told you what she was— She is an actress—"

"An actress!" cried Jeremiah, starting up from his chair.

"An actress!" I shrieked. "What, my son marry an actress!" and I fairly cried with rage, grief and shame.

"Well, I declare it's too bad," said Jeremiah, mournfully.

"Too bad!" I cried, "of course it's too bad. To think that my son Charley should disgrace us in this manner. Marry an actress, indeed! Him, that I brought up so religiously, that I never would let go near a play house, and then to go and marry an actress. O, dear me, I moaned, how can I look Deacon Hobson in the face when he hears about it; what will our relations say when they hear it! To think that Charley should become so wicked!"

"But mother," said Jeremiah in a puzzled tone, "what are we to do? They are coming here in two or three days."

"What are we to do?" I cried. "I shan't let Charley bring the hussy into this house, I can tell you. I won't have my house disgraced with her presence."

"Now mother," said Jeremiah, soothingly, "dont talk in that way. She may be good enough for all we know."

"Jeremiah Hunter," said I, "I'm astonished at you. Aint you ashamed of yourself. Her good! How can she be good and be an actress!"

"But she looks good," began Jeremiah.

"Looks!" I cried. "What do I care for her looks? I suppose that hair is false, and she is painted and powdered up to the nines, like as not, and that's the way she entrapped Charley. But you may do as you please, Jeremiah, and welcome her, but *I* will never own her as my daughter." And I meant what I said, too.

Well, next week they came, Charley and his wife I mean. *She* had on a thick veil, and, I thought, "You *ought* to be ashamed to show your face, you hussy!"

"This is my wife, mother," said Charley, and then she raised her veil, and she did look so good, so innocent and so pretty, that I almost hugged her; but then, just in time, I remembered that she was an actress, and so I just shook hands with her, and said I was glad to see her, which I wasn't, and then I turned away from her, and then she looked so pleadingly at me, and her eyes (splendid eyes she had too, I must say,) filled with tears, that I almost relented; but then I just thought that of course the tears were all forced, for I had heard that actresses can cry whenever they have a mind to.

At supper I never spoke to her, only when I couldn't help it, and then I called her Mrs. Hunter; but Jeremiah seemed quite taken up with her, and called her "my dear," and his "daughter," all the time, until I was aggravated to that extent that I could have boxed his ears with the greatest of pleasure.

The next day she went out to pick blackberries, and soon as she had gone:

"Mother," said Charley, I don't think you are treating my wife as you should."

I didn't say anything. I only kept on knitting.

"She is very sensitive, mother," he went on, "and you treat her coldly—nay, cruelly,—far different from what I expected. She has not complained, but she feels it deeply, and so do I."

"You do, do you?" said I, laying down my knitting, "You feel hurt; well, so do I. Charley Hunter, do you suppose that I will own such a woman as that for my daughter?"

"And why not?" asked Charley quietly.

"Why not!" I cried, "why not? Why because she is an actress. An actress! A low, common,——"

"Mother," cried Charley quickly, and I saw that he was very pale now "remember, it is of my *wife* you speak."

"I know it," I said, angrily, "I know she is your wife. Your wife! Oh Heavens! that my son should disgrace his mother by marrying an actress."

Just then I heard a sound behind me, and I turned and saw her standing at the open door: white as a sheet, and the next moment she gave a kind of gasp and fell on the ground.

Charley sprang to her side and lifted her up in an instant, and laid her on the sofa. Then I was frightened at what I had done, and tried to say something—I don't know what—and offered to bring her to, but Charley waved me back.

"God forgive you, mother," he said, "but I believe you have killed her"—and then he gave me such a reproachful look that I fairly ran out of the room. When I came down again I found nobody there but Jeremiah, smoking his pipe and reading a paper.

"Where are they?" I asked, a little frightened, I must confess.

"They're gone," said Jeremiah, calmly.

"Gone!" I repeated, and my heart gave a little jump as I spoke.

"Yes, gone—back to New York. Charley said that he thought it was best for all of us that we should live separate, and so he's gone. I hope you're satisfied now."

"Yes I am," I said angrily; "I'm glad he's gone. I'm glad we're rid of them," and I tried to feel glad, but somehow whenever I thought of her pale face, and those eyes, I felt afraid that perhaps I hadn't done exactly right after all. Well nearly a year passed by, during which Charley wrote to us regularly, and at the bottom of every letter there was always two or three lines from *her*, which, of course, I never read aloud, and when I answered the letters I never said anything about *her*, no, not a word. I was determined I wouldn't notice her. Well can any there came a letter, and I knew as soon as I looked at it that it was written by her.

"I won't read it," said I.

"Well then, I will," said Jeremiah, and he took and commenced to read it, but he had hardly looked at it before he dropped it and cried out:—

"Mother, Charley's dying! Read that letter, quick."

I hardly knew what I was doing, but I picked up the letter and read this; there was only two or three lines in it:—

N. Y. September 8th.

DEAR MOTHER.—Charley is very ill with the fever. The doctor says that perhaps he may not recover. He calls for you incessantly. Please come at once. Your loving daughter.

"Oh, good Lord!" I cried, "I must go at once. Like as not he's dying from want of care, for what does she care about him; she'd rather go to the theatre than sit beside him."

I don't know how I got my things ready; I only know that the next day I was at Charley's bedside. He was all alone and looked very bad, but he knew me, and seemed so glad to see me, poor fellow.

"How is it that you are all alone, Charley?" I asked.

"The nurse has just gone out to get some medicine," he answered.

"And where is she," I asked, "your wife, I mean."

"Oh, she has just gone to the theatre," said Charley, quietly.

"Gone to the theatre!" I screamed, "gone to the theatre and her husband dying! Well, I never!

"Mother," said Charley, quickly, and in his excitement, though he was very weak, he raised himself up on his elbow in bed. "Don't you dare to speak one word against my wife. You don't know how she has nursed me and tended to me, how she staid away from the theatre until she was in danger of losing her situation, and now she supports me, and I should have been dead long ago had it not been for her. She is an angel and you shall not abuse her."

Now that was dreadful to talk that way to his mother, and yet somehow I felt that he was right and I was wrong. But when she came home and I saw how fond she was of Charley, and how reluctant she was to leave him, I saw then what a fool I had made of myself, and my heart just melted toward her so that I threw my arms around her neck, and—but lord sakes, can't tell half what I said or did, but anyhow we made it up—you may be sure.

And then when I saw her day after day standing before the glass, studying out of a book, I began to think that acting was work and hard work too (especially when I tried to learn what she did and found that I couldn't do it, no matter how hard I tried.) But still I hadn't got over my hatred to the theatre yet, and I thought it was a dreadful wicked place, so I nearly dropped when Charley says to me:—

"Mother, won't you go with Viola to the theatre? It's a long performance to-night, and it may be late before she can leave, and I don't like the idea of her coming home so late at night alone. Will you go with her?"

"What—*me* go to a theatre!" I cried, horror struck.

"Yes, certainly," said Charley, "And why not?"

I don't know what arguments they used, but somehow they persuaded me, and I went.

Law sakes, how I trembled when I thought of what Deacon Hobson would say if he found it out, and then, when I went up an alley, and through a long entry, I found myself in such a queer place, with everything so mixed up around me that I din't know whether I was standing on my head or my heels.

"Where am I?" I asked, bewildered, for Viola had left me.

"Why, you're behind the scenes, of course, said an old man with white hair, standing beside me, and then he asked me if I was looking for anybody.

"Yes," said I, "I'm looking for Viola, my daughter."

"Viola Granger, do you mean?" asked the man, laughing.

"No, Viola Hunter. She is my son's wife," I replied.

"Oh, it's all the same," said the man pleasantly. "She's gone to dress, I suppose. But, I say, Ma'am, I don't think I have ever seen you before here."

"No, I was never here before," I answered.

"And did you never see your daughter act?" he asked.

"Never."

"Then come along with me, and you shall," and before I could say a word against it he had me into the theatre, got me a seat, gave me a paper called a programme, and left me!

Gracious! how frightened I was. But then, after awhile, when I began to look around me, I was astonished. I thought all the people would be cursing and swearing and behaving dreadful; but, dear me, except that some of the men wore their hats, they behaved almost as good as if they were in a church—they actually did! And then, when the play began—but you needn't expect me to describe it, I couldn't. I only know that there was a villain, a dreadful wicked fellow, and he was going to do something awful, when my daughter prevented him and talked to him so that he had to run away. Oh, how proud I was of her! And when the people clapped and shouted like mad—Lord forgive me! I'm a church member, too—I pegged away with my umbrella with the best of them, and I don't think it was any sin, either, though I know Deacon Hobson will faint if he ever reads this; but, then, he ain't likely ever to see it, because he thinks it's wicked to read story papers—it's almost as bad as going to the theatre, he says.

But what do I care what Deacon Hobson thinks? I know that my daughter is as good, as pure, and as innocent as any lady in the land; and though there may be bad women that are actresses, I know now that acting won't make them bad. And I have only to say to them that, think as I once did; look in your Bible, and there you will find a passage that says:—

"*Judge not, lest ye be judged!*"

A PROPHETIC GAME AT CARDS.

Prussia, Russia and France.

Since the declaration of war between Prussia and France, which, if long continued, is likely to involve almost all of Europe, war and its consequences has been the chief topic of conversation, battles of the past have been orally fought o'er again, and anecdotes alluding thereto have been generally set afloat. One of them, from *Appleton's Journal*, as it involves a game of cards, prophetic in character, in relation to the proposed set-to between Prussia and France, we here give space to:—One hot afternoon in the month of August, '67, three men sat around a table in a private parlor at the Hotel Darmstadt at Ems, Germany, taking such comfort as they could derive from the juice of Rhenish grape and a pack of cards. The most conspicuous figure of the group was a large man with a bald head, greyish blue eyes, a heavy light-colored moustache, air

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To Correspondents.

Young, Clifton.—1. Not on record. 2. He never fought in the ring. 3. Edwards defeated Colliver twice. He never fought anybody else. 4. Cosiver beat Mike Carr, Race Bolster, Barney Aaron, Johnny McDade and Billy Kelly; was beaten by Aaron and Bolster, awarded forfeit from Charley Doherty. 5. Harry Hicken was beaten by Howley and Billy Carroll (of Baltimore), and defeated Geo. Sitler. 6. As Hicken beat Carcieux, Hawley, Weston, Howard and Maguire; was beaten by Ted Pierce, and fought a draw with Nick the Grecian, Bob Furze, Holmes and Jim Goldsmith. He likewise had a turn-up with Butt Riley in this city. 7. Billy Edwards beat Lees, Smith, Travers and Jem Dillon, and fought a draw with Aaron and Ben Hogan. 8. Ned Hogan, Tom Kelly, of Bradford, beat Donner, Lomas, Bill Brown, Jack Rooke (a cross) and Dick Rowley, and was defeated by Rooke and harry Allen.

H. R. C., Chelsea, Mass.—The rules of cricket are as well worded or as definite as they might be, but the Mary-le-bone Club revised them and they are regarded as the regular laws of the game. There is no rule in the Mary-le-bonne Club code which expressly covers the point you allude to; but reason and the Laws describe that a batsman having taken his stand at the bat as a substitute to receive a ball, and play being called and the game resumed, no other player can take the substitute's place as one of the eleven, except in the field, and there in such position as the opposite party may consent to allow him, the "bowlers," "wicket keepers," "long stops" and "points" positions being exclusively only the places of regular players of the eleven in the match. According to your statement, though the "sub" had taken his stand at the bat, the game had not been resumed, and the "sub" had not yet had an innings, we think he should have given place to the regular player.

Dell Ekray, Sabula, Ia.—1. A fairly pitched ball is one not included in the list of balls described in Sec. 3 of Rule 3d, and, moreover a ball pitched within the legitimate reach of the striker. 2. The "legitimate reach" of the striker extends to any ball pitched over the home base between the line high and shoulder high. The batsman cannot call for any particular ball. If he is in the regular habit of striking at low balls, then his legitimate reach is lower than that of a striker in the habit of striking at shoulder balls. But this is a matter for the umpire to judge of. If the striker will not strike at any ball within fair reach, simply because it is not just where he wants it, strikes must be called on him. 4. No, it is not. 5. The latest work is Chadwick's Convention Manual, published in Boston.

Anderson, Washington, D. C.—By the rules of the Hudson Amateur Rowing Association, comprising nine of our principal New York boat clubs, and also by the rules of the Hudson Navy, now distributed to the members of seven clubs—an allowance of two seconds per oar is made in shells and gigs for a greater number of oars; and shells allow gigs eighteen seconds per mile on classification. In your case, the shell would have to allow the gig fifty-four seconds in 3 three mile race. As to carrying a coxswain: As the gig has two more oarsmen, she has to allow the shell ten seconds per mile, making thirty seconds. Not allowance in favor of the gig, twenty-four seconds.

Dead Ball, Ulster, N. Y.—What is called a "dead ball" is a ball having but an ounce of rubber in its composition. A "lively" ball is one in which there is from two to three ounces of rubber. A "medium" ball contains an ounce and a half of rubber. One ounce is all that is necessary to give life to the ball and to prevent it from becoming dangerous to the person when hit hard or thrown swiftly. The soft balls are made by Ryan & Waugh; and Peck & Snyder have recently got up a medium ball for amateurs, but they have not yet advertised red. Ross and Van Horn also now make dead balls to order; all the "crack clubs" are now using dead balls.

Harbor, Chicago.—Beats made in the manner the majority of wagers were laid on the play of the Chicago nine on their home ground, made on the basis of regular and legitimate contests. Now, the game between the Chicago and Athletic clubs was not a legitimate match, and therefore does not count. The Chicago nine were defeated on the best two "regular" matches on their own grounds, viz., by the Atlantics and Mutuals. Their games with the Haymakers, Stars and Athletics were illegal contests, and bets made on the result of such games on the basis of their being legitimate contests are off.

Inquirer, Jersey City.—The principal amateur associations in New York city are as follows:—New York Dramatic Association meets every Saturday at Military Hall, 198 Bowery; American Dramatic Association meet every Saturday at Dramatic Hall, 444 Houston street; the O. U. R. S. Dramatic Club, every Saturday, at 58 East Houston street; the N. Y. Union, at Military Hall, 198 Bowery; Young Men's Club, at Lipscomb Hall, corner of Houston and Allen; American Guard at; the Murdoch, at 197 Bowery; Edwin Booth, at Phillips' costume depot in the Bowery. From these you can learn of the others.

At Germania, Olean's Falls.—Two clubs having selected an umpire, must abide by the decisions. If they are illegal, the club whose interests are injured by the umpire's decisions have their remedy in an appeal to the judiciary committee. Under no circumstances is a player allowed to withdraw from a game if their opponents require the game to be continued, no matter how unfairly they may be treated. You were justified in refusing to play longer, but you did it at the cost of a forfeited game. Do not play with a club who permits such conduct, or again select such a poor umpire.

Allemany, Pittsburgh.—No single club located in a state where there are ten regular base ball clubs can become members of the National Association. Any club can join either a state association or the N. A. proper, by making application for probationary membership. Write to Dr. Ferguson, Secretary National Association, for information. He is Recording Secretary for the National Association.

Hayes, Janesville, Wis.—1. There are no preparations to stop a dog fighting that will allow him to live. 2. To get up a "Happy Family" cage, the animals must be taken very young and be domesticated together. A. We are unable to give the address of any manufacturer of wax figures. 4. Address Dan Rice, Pike's Peak, Prospecting for the latter is a circus. 5. The amount of license varies in different towns or cities, according to municipal enactment.

Second, San Francisco.—1. Your score is correct if you simply give the scores which fall to your share. All outs are scored to the head of total fielding errors. 2. If Smith makes his first fly on error, you don it down under the head of "errors," muffs and wild throws. If he afterwards makes his second by an error, you simply charge the error to the fielder, so do not dot it down under the same head as in the case of the first base.

Raven.—1. Nat Langham is alive. 2. Deaf Burke beat Hands, Sambo, Berridge, Gardner, Gow, Bob Hampson, Tim Crawley, Davis, Hannah, Carter, Maloney, Jem Mace, Byrne, Fitzmaurice, Jem Ward, O'Connell and Bob Castles; was beaten by Bill Cousens, Thompson (Brighton) and Nick Ward; fought a draw with Ned Murphy, and received forfeit from the Tipton Slasher. He died January 8th, 1869.

H. S. T., Joliet, Ill.—There are other qualifications more necessary in an range and volume of voice requisite to determine a man's value as a singer, which can only be estimated on being heard. The notes you refer to, if uttered or sung fully, would be a roar, we should think. Apply to some first class musician in your region, or Ohio.

Croquet, Saratoga.—1. A good set can be had for $6. 2. The laws of croquet differ. The English rules are correct. 3. Peck & Snyder, 128 Nassau street, can send you croquet sets from $5 up to $10. 4. A cricket ball costs $3.50. A base ball $1.50. Materials for a cricket match could cost $50. 5. The neighborhood of 150 yards. Beadle's Dime Book of Cricket, will give you the information needed.

E. Cofnoll, Chicago, Ill.—"Sam" was first performed in London at the Adelphi Theatre, October 1st, 1866, with the following cast of characters: Sam, Miss Kate Bateman; Madalena, Miss H. Simms; Father Herman, Mr. Phillips; Lorenz, Mr. Stuart; Nathan, Mr. A. Stirling; Rudolf, Mr. Billington; Abram, J. C. Smith; Sarah, Mrs. Billington.

Allen, Cass, East Boston.—1. We do not know of any person in your city from whom instruction could be obtained. You might apply to John Shea, 26 Elliot street, however; he is thoroughly competent to teach what you want. 2. You can obtain a set of boxing gloves for $5 by applying to Ed. James, as per advertisement in any other column.

Company Leader, Stillwater, Minn.—A special train, with the Atlantics on board, made 31 miles in 50 minutes, Janesville to Chicago. The fastest time ever made in England is 18 miles in 18 minutes, special train, Paddington to Slough. On the Erie road the distance from Hamburgh to Buffalo, N. Y., 10 miles, has been made in 8 minutes.

H. H. Waldo, Rockford, Ill.—When two men bet on a match at base ball—unless it is specially stated at the time of betting that the bets are to hold good no matter what kind of game is played, it is with the understanding that the contest is a "regular" and legal game, otherwise bets are off. The bets are off on the Athletic and Chicago match, as it was an illegal game.

Atlas, Jersey City.—1. A Norman trotted 20 miles in 58 minutes 36 seconds, in harness. 2. Nationals and Olympics, of Washington; Maryland, of Baltimore; Forest City, of Cleveland; Tri-Mountain, of Boston; Keystone, of Philadelphia, and Riverside, of Newburgh.

Silas, New York.—There is no such thing as a "fair foul" ball. If a foul ball is caught on the fly the ball must go to pitcher before it can be used to put any other player than the striker out. If it be a fair ball, and caught on the fly, it can be used at once without going to pitcher.

Jos Hughes, New York.—You appear to have a nice idea of the value of a man's time and of the space we have to spare. It would take a month's work to work out the answers to your letter and a column of space to give it. Seek the information from John Wilsey and John Chapman.

Duck Lee, Glen Mich.—1. Puber has been, and now is, the regular pitcher of the Union for six years. No such man as you name ever played in their nine. 2. They were not. They do not drink during the season in which they are on a tour; if they did they could not play as they do.

Chicago.—1. The game sent being regular, all bets are off except those made with the knowledge that the game was merely an "exhibition combat." 2. If A bet B on the result of a regular match, the game in question does not count. But if otherwise, then A loses.

Constant Reader.—"At cribbage, A plays a four, B a tray, A a five, B a tray and A a four. How many points does each one make?".....1. A, six for two sequences, and B, two for his "fifteen." 2. The last hole must be made to claim game. 3. Two points only are allowed for thirty-one.

A Reader.—1. Apply to Dave Wilson, at Kelly and Leon's. 2. Hogan and Hughes are dancing with the Buckleys. 3. He does not take anything for his voice. 4. No dentist that understands his business will injure your teeth. 5. "Pistiana" contains a treatise on training.

Billy, Kewanee Station.—1. The man returning to first is third out, and the man served out is the next striker. The man at the bat in such instance is next on the list to the third hand out in the previous innings. 2. Sayers and Heenan fought on April 17, 1860, and Sayers died on November 11, 1866.

Mosier, Cincinnati.—Any number of innings exceeding five even innings, constitute a game. Undoubtedly the White Stockings defeated the Keystones, and the bat is won by A. Stakeholders deliver the money as soon as the result of a contest is satisfactorily ascertained.

A New York Fireman.—1. In our opinion, Barney Aaron. 2. Billy Dounelly won the belt given at Ned James' benefit. 3. No, although he was considered good enough to be backed to fight any man in the world in the ring, a challenge being sent to Peter Morris, feather weight champion of England, by Australian Kelly.

Peter O'Bryan.—If you bet on the play merely, without any reference to the legitimacy of the contest, you lose. If the Secretary of the N. A. decides that the Chicago club are in the association, then the game in question becomes a forfeited one.

Fred. R. Forrest.—1. Utility men, in a majority of the principal eastern cities, are expected to furnish their own properties and wardrobes. 2. Salaries for utility men range from fifteen to twenty-five dollars.

Happy, Peoria.—You should have mentioned your intention at the time of commencing, as we declined the offers of others. Do not trouble yourself any further in the matter, and omit sending in future.

Thomas Thacker, Ursina.—England's national debt does not amount to more than the debts of all the other European powers put together, but it is heavier than that of any other country. We do not answer correspondents by mail.

Harry Amanas, Lake Forest, Ill.—1. It is usual in croquet to place the ball a mallet's length from the turning stake after touching it. 2. You must pass through a hoop before you can croquet an adversary.

A Reader.—The Atlantic Club have played in four games with the Red Stockings. They defeated the Red Stockings in 1868 by scores of 20 to 13 and 40 to 19, and in 1.70 by 3 to 2. They were defeated by the Red Stockings in 1869 by the score of 29 to 19.

Jerry Brewster, Hamburg.—1. No player running the bases is entitled to a base on three balls unless he is forced off by the striker. In your case, there being no man on first base, the man on the second could not take third on called balls.

H. A. J., New York.—The Cincinnatis were organized in 1866. They lost two games in that year; one game in 1867. Seven games in 1868; none in 1869, and one thus far in 1870. They have therefore yet lost the games since they were organized.

W. S. Kerns, Kan.—No ball can be called on the first ball delivered, nor a strike either, unless the ball is struck at. 2. The one whose estimate is nearest the mark wins, 49 being nearer than 51.

J. D.—"A bets B that the Stars would beat the White Stockings. Does the last of their playing men not belonging to the club a sufficient time affect the bet?".....The bet's off, the game being illegal.

C. B. L., South Bend, Ind.—By a strict interpretation of the rule, if the pitcher deliver the first two balls out of reach the second can be called one ball. Generally the umpires do not count the first ball.

Athlete, Phila.—No "social exhibition" or practice games are counted in the season's averages; no games but those of "regular" matches of Professional games count in the averages, each player being credited with the outs, one run and one base on a hit.

Dutz, Geneseo.—The game ought to have been decided in favor of the party willing to continue play, and against the nine refusing. If a forfeit of 9 to 0 was claimed, the umpire has not been obliged to keep both nine on the ground when delivering a ball 2 feet high.

J. Mercier, Whitehorn, N. C.—Jeddo, 1,554,819; Petersburg, 1,249,614; Lexington, over three millions. The two former cities contribute the above stated at the time of taking the last census, but the population at present is much higher.

J. J. M., Troy, N. Y.—After considerable inquiry we have learned that Lew Brother's residence is in Cambridge, Mass., and John J. Whitney may be addressed in care of Wm. Fields, Capsul & Co., Boston.

Lexington, Fletcher, Miss.—As a full account has already been published in our columns we are compelled to omit your interesting report. Thank you all the same, however.

An Old Patron.—As you forgot to mention which club you we are sorry it is to omit mention of the game.

C. P. Kistler, Logan, O.—The umpire must call a strike on the batsman when the latter stations at the ball and attempts it, whether it be the first ball or not, unless the batsman states for his purpose of wilfully striking out.

H. E., Chicago.—The Red Stockings have yet to be beaten by any club except the Atlantics last season. They had lost but one game up to July 15th.

H. A. Davis, Chicago.—We cannot undertake to answer queries by telegraph. Bets made on a regular match are not lost or won if the game is not regular.

Frits, St. Louis.—They will be championships when they defeat the Atlantic Club in two legally played games out of a series of regular home-and-home contests, and not until then.

Cricketer, Baltimore.—The first visit of an eleven was made in 1859, the second in 1868. The last eleven played several games of ball. You will find the score in Beadle's Dime Book of Base Ball.

A. F. D. R. M.—The Atlantics will wear a new suit of white flannel and blue and white stockings. The Union suit is white shirt, checked pants and red Scotch plaid stockings.

R. Yank, Nashville, Tenn.—If a foul ball be held by a player in any way after touching the ground but once, even if from the hands or person of another player, the striker is out.

C. H. P., Johnstown, Pa.—Gould is a proper name, and there is no rule governing the pronunciation of proper names. It is customary with most people to pronounce it as if spelt Gould.

C. H. R., Chicago.—1. The National, or Chatham, was torn down some years ago and stores now occupy the site. 2. There is no theatre how further down town than the Bradt.

T. B. L.—Tom Hyer fought odds only according to the strict rules of the ring, his fight with McCleester not taking place in a roped and staked enclosure.

J. C. Marsow, Baltimore.—You can judge for yourself by the score of the game played. If we were to reply to such queries as yours, we should be flooded with useless questions.

Cruiser, Des Moines.—1. The player is not out unless touched by the ball. If touched by the hand only in which the ball is held, he is not out. 2. Certainly. Send on your score.

Subscriber, Chicago.—You lose, as the defeat in Philadelphia was sustained in a "practice" game, which is not a regular betting game, unless agreed to beforehand.

Brownstown, Pa.—To answer your question on "seven up" it is necessary for us to know who made the points of high, low, Jack and game in their regular order.

New Yorker.—1. There are in this city, but we never give the private addresses of ladies of the profession. 2. Miss Blanche Bradshaw is not married.

Old Reader, Sharon, Pa.—1. In 1858. 2. The first lodge of Odd Fellows organized in this country was in New York city. 3. England.

H. H. P., Alsont, Mich.—1. It means that they start direct from the scratch at the signal agreed upon. 2. If he is called back, a fresh start must be made by the contestants.

Sixty-six, Boston, Mass.—He was, having been convicted of stabbing a man, but it was afterwards proven that he was innocent of the charge.

Frank J. W., Springfield, Ill.—You can judge by reading our columns what kind of matter we wish. We never furnish such certificates.

F. G. F., Cincinnati.—New York is credited with having the best Fire Department (paid); but Philadelphia has the best volunteer, we believe.

One to Know, Chicago.—1. The dealer cannot deal himself three cards and his opponent two; all must be served alike. 2. You did right; you were not strong enough to order it up.

A. S. L., Atlanta.—1. We do not issue them. 2. We prefer that you should not solicit advertisements for us; they will come voluntarily.

J. S., Fort Wayne, Ind.—A notice of Dinnie was already in type when your communication arrived, consequently we are obliged to omit it.

Shamrock, Toronto.—We have more contributions on hand than we can use in several months, and must, therefore, decline your offer.

Rise, R. Omaha.—We already have a correspondent there. Any fresh items, however, that you may feel disposed to send us will be received.

C. D. E., Memphis, Tenn.—We do not know the party; he is, evidently, one of those literary thieves that are to be found in every community.

B. B. B., Chicago.—A having bet B that the Red Stockings would accomplish something they did not do, A, of course, loses.

Dunker, Dayton, O.—Write to Peck & Snyder, 126 Nassau st., N. Y.

Woodman, Lynn.—The umpire violated the rules. He had no right to call the first ball pitched.

A Reader, Gill City.—It depends upon which game A bet on. Your question is not clearly worded.

Newport, O.—1. The corneys is off. 2. The Athletics, Mutuals and Atlantics.

Snow Top.—The Harrards defeated the Athletics in Philadelphia, July 9th, 1869, by a score of 33 to 21.

C. W. B., Holyoke, Mass.—You neglected to mention the date of playing.

Lewis S. Holcombe, Jersey Ville.—We cannot account for the delay. It expires in nine weeks.

Aspinwall, Charleston, S. C.—The New York is a paid fire department.

W., Louisville.—The jack counts immediately when it is turned up; when made in play it does not score until after high and low.

J. W. W., Buffalo, N. Y.—Bill Poole was shot between 12 and 1 o'clock, A. M., Feb. 25th, 1858, and died March 8th.

Can-or-Joint, Brooklyn.—Dan is rather too late to publish your "poem;" the party referred to is somewhat modest, withal.

W. A. B., Baltimore.—What were the titles? We receive so many that we cannot remember them all.

O. H.—Will probably use your "Eliza Jane" at some future time.

M. M., Brooklyn.—It is fairly in metre and is not up to our standard.

John H. F., Boston.—Thanks for your offer, but we already have a correspondent in your city.

Dunlap, Chicago, Ill.—1. Jack is high. 2. Deerfoot ran 11 miles 790 yards in one hour, Jan. 24, 1863.

J. H. Rogers, Michigan.—Could not understand your last letter of July 9th. Give names of towns and dates distinctly.

Tom Kelley, Boston, Mass.—A deposit is necessary to insure an insertion of your challenge.

E. Niles, Chicago.—Thank you; we have a correspondent in your city.

Oscar, Fort Wayne, Ind.—As 2 is to 1, so is 1 to 0. We think you would win.

Billy Bowers.—You must send us the score, &c., over your own signature.

Amateur.—They neither of them played in the Keystone, but both in the Quaker City Club, in 1867, we believe.

Capital, Washington.—The *Chronicle* is defunct. The Lone Stars will visit Washington in July.

F. and A., Scranton, Pa.—Captain Kennedy was executed at Fort Lafayette as a rebel spy and hotel burner.

C. H. Rhinehardt, Trenton, N. J.—James Robinson is conceded to be the best horse-back rider in this country.

A Constant Clipper Reader.—It is entirely a matter of opinion; both are good.

Gossage, Baltimore, Md.—The original Ravel Family retired from public life some years ago.

Hallie Sinclair, Schenectady, N. Y.—Your letter arrived too late. Mail on Fridays, and it will be held in ample season.

Two Admirers, San Francisco, Cal.—See answer to D. H. R., Baltimore, in our last issue.

Base Ball Player.—Your logic is good. A renewal of the bet is necessary.

Basehit Youth.—1. The Red Stockings. 2. No. 3. His name is Kinney and he lives in Brooklyn.

Powhatan.—The challenged club have to play on the challenging club's ground.

B. A. B., Chicago.—See answer to "Sherman House" and "H. H. Waldo."

Oliphenius, New Rochelle.—There were never any such players in the Atlantic nine.

Tang, Louisville, Ky.—Thank you for attention. Send 'em along whenever convenient.

J. B. S., Chestnutah.—To Benjamin Franklin, an American, is conceded the credit of chaining lightning.

Fair Play, Lowell.—After the cards have been shuffled and cut the dealer has no right to cut and shuffle them again.

Jas. C.—The letter has been sent, but we do not remember the address.

P. G.—1. Address them care of this office. 2. One dollar and fifty cents for twice.

Dan Shilley.—One dollar and five cents.

Wm. McFarland and Co.—For 3 mos., cash in advance, $31.20.

Nanoon.—Hatfield.

Crosby Buhl.—We do not answer such questions.

Mack.—Write to Harry Wright; he will tell you.

J. M.—See answer to Cronin.

Renaw, Pa.—Certainly he has.

Chicago.—The pitcher can be changed at any time.

R. B., Washington.—Yes.

Harry Watson.—One dollar and twenty cents.

Jack Gouldings.—For one month, four dollars and eighty cents.

L. Calvert, Texas.—Ace is the highest.

Walnut, Chicago.—The jack beats the ace.

Union Stock.—Jack deals.

Amateur.—You will find full particulars in last week's issue.

Y. H. O., Chicago.—See answer to B. B. B.

Frank Lunze.—We do not exactly understand your description.

A Friend, Cincinnati.—The bet is off.

A Louisville, Ky.—He may play one shot only.

Thomas Yat.—Miss Fletcher's address is not married.

V. M., Williamsburgh.—We do not answer such queries.

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Newspaper Blunders.—Some funny things are almost daily to be seen in our morning papers, the result of errors generally attributed to the compositors; but in most cases the fault of the writers. We noticed no less than five blunders in one paper this morning. One read thus:—"A bank was decently entered by two men," etc., which would have been more decent to have read "recently." Second:—"The schools will soon begin their usual summer evacuations," etc. Vacations no doubt were intended, but there is not *much* difference between the words, for they both denote a general clearing out. Third:—"Lost—A pocket book containing a small sum of money and some papers. The finder will be rewarded by returning to," etc. It appears unnecessary for the finder to return the pocket book, the reward being promised on his returning himself. Fourth:—"Lost—On Saturday afternoon, a pocket book. Will be rewarded if returned to," etc. Here we find the pocket book the object of reward instead of the finder. Five:—"To Let—A room to a young man with all the modern improvements," etc. Which "improvements" mean, now-a-days, drinking, swearing, gambling, etc. But this will do for one day.

Gone Home.—The New Orleans firemen have returned home, bearing with them some new ideas as to the hospitable character of the New York Fire Department. But for the attentions bestowed upon the visitors by Col. Jas. Fisk, Jr., and Mr. John Wildey, of the Mutual Base Ball Club, the strangers would have been worse off than strangers in a strange land. It is gratifying to know, however, that "the boys from the south" met with the old firemen spirit out-side of New York, and will keep in cheerful remembrance the many attentions they met with at the hands of the Philadelphia firemen.

The City was kept in a continued state of excitement the past week, by reports of a probable war between Prussia and France. Friends of the former vowed that France would make many a Prussian blue if they came in contact, while supporters of Prussia had no doubt but that the croakings of the frog eaters would be forever silenced if the two nations met in hostile array. We don't seem to have any interest in the matter except *self* interest, and that, probably, will induce us to raise our voices for war, as it would benefit this country, no matter which side should win.

Another Big Fight.—Articles have been signed and preparations are now going on for an international contest between the great powers, France and Prussia. Notwithstanding the "brutality" of such affairs, "which are a disgrace to the civilized world," the authorities stand tamely by, calmly looking on at the arrangements being made for the bloody work contemplated, yet make not the slightest effort to arrest the principals, or stop the threatened effusion of blood. "Where are the police?"

The European War News may be briefly given as follows:—The French are evidently *spoiling* for a fight; while the Prussians, working to hold Spain as an ally, are preparing to fight *for* a spell.

A Libel Suit.—An action for libel was recently brought against an editor in Illinois by some party who felt aggrieved at a few remarks in the sheet controlled by the offending editor. To show you how fearfully for man was libeled it is only necessary to state that the jury gave the injured plaintiff *three-quarters of a cent damages*, which goes to show that in those quarrels a healthy sentiment prevails in favor of the freedom of the press.

Effects of the Heat.—Conversation between two business men, one morning last week.

Mr. Wasfile.—"Ah, Jenkins, did you read the war editorial in the —— this morning?"

Mr. Jenkins.—"Only a part of it—it was so very long, and besides *it was so d——n hot!*"

Whether the latter referred to the editorial or the weather is left to the imagination of the reader.

Cheap Living.—A Vermont housekeeper says that in that state a person can live comfortably on one dollar a week, and that living at the rate of two dollars a week "is good enough for the table of a prince." The details of such housekeeping would be interesting reading now-a-days, when it takes from thirty to fifty cents per day to pay *for* a person's lunch.

Senator Wilson should indnce the President to call an extra session of Congress so that he, the Senator, may introduce a bill for the suppression of prize battles throughout the world, particularly the contest now in abeyance between Prussia and France. Something *must* be done to put an end to this "brutal system of prize fighting" among nations.

See Here.—In New Orleans, the dispensers of cooling beverages are running opposition in the size of their glasses, those now in use holding nearly a quart. The competition between *our* folks is to see how *small* they can get them, some in use hereaway holding nearly a gill, when pressed down.

A Burglar broke into a hardware store in the Bowery a few days ago, and stole a large quantity of cutlery, etc. The proprietor does not consider the thief "a foeman worthy of his *steel*." Observe the *iron*-y in this sage remark?

The Difference.—There are 30,000 gods worshipped in the Chinese empire. In this country we worship but *one*, and that is the almighty—dollar.

Good News for the Ladies.—An exchange says that gloves will be very cheap in the *fall*. In the fall of prices, we presume.

Seasonable Advice.—By not getting *into* a *hot temper*, you will be able to keep *out of* a *hot temper*-ature.

DEATH'S DOINGS.

Weekly Record of the Decease of Prominent Individuals.

COMPILED EXPRESSLY FOR THE NEW YORK CLIPPER.

Bernadaki, M.—The wealthy father-in-law of Baron de Talleyrand—Perigord, formerly French ambassador in Russia. He leaves, it is said, about thirty millions of francs.—St. Petersburg, Russia—recently.

Countryman, George—Prominent fireman of Philadelphia, member of Marion Hose Company and various civic societies.—Philadelphia, July 12, aged 48.

Clasper, Harry—Celebrated oarsman of Newcastle-on-Tyne—Newcastle-on-Tyne, Eng., July 13th. See particulars in another column.

Campbell, Hon. Robert—Bath, N. Y., July 16th.

Copeland, James, M. D.—Distinguished physician and medical author. He graduated as M. D. at the University of Edinburgh in 1815. After thoroughly studying Europe and Africa he finally settled in London in 1837. He was connected with a number of medical institutions, and for many years was contributor on medical and scientific subjects to the London *Medical Repository*, of which he was for a time editor, and to other journals. He also wrote a number of more elaborate works, the most important of which is his "Dictionary of Practical Medicine and Pathology." He was an honorary member of the Royal Academy of Science of Sweden and of several other continental academies and societies. He was also for some time the President of the Royal Medical and Chirurgical Society and of the Pathological Society of London—Eng., recently, aged 77.

Dalghren, Rear Admiral John A.—He was born in Philadelphia, and was appointed midshipman from the State of Pennsylvania, February 1, 1826. He served in the frigate Macedonia, of the Brazil squadron, in the years 1827, '28 and '29. From 1830 to 1832, he was attached to the sloop Ontario, of the Mediterranean squadron, and in the latter year was promoted passed midshipman. From 1836 to 1841 he was employed on coast survey duty, being commissioned as lieutenant in 1837. In 1841-2 he was attached to the frigate, Cumberland, of the Mediterranean squadron. He planned in '57 he was engaged on ordnance duty, during which time he perfected the invention of the Dahlgren gun. He was commissioned as commander in 1856, commanded the ordnance ship Plymouth, in '58-9, and was on ordnance duty at the Washington Navy Yard, in '60-61. At the breaking out of the rebellion he was appointed Chief of the Bureau of Ordnance. On the 7th of February, 1863, he received the appointment of Rear Admiral, to take command following the first actively engaged in the great struggle between the North and South. Upon the unsuccessful attempt of Admiral Dupont to reduce the fortifications in Charleston harbor, with his fleet of monitors, Rear Admiral Foote was appointed to that task, but died in New York previous to his departure, and Admiral Dalghren received the appointment, with the command of the South Atlantic blockading squadron. He planned to capture Fort Sumter, but without success. His operations, however, terminated in the demolition of that fort. In February, 1864, he commanded in person an expedition which ascended the Ogeechee river, and a military force was thrown into Florida. In December, 1864, he established communications with General Sherman, in the vicinity of Savannah, and with that General captured the city on the 21st of the same month. He was active in the military movements against Charleston, in 1865, and entered that city with General Schimmel upon its evacuation by the Southerners. The evacuation of Charleston was followed by that of Georgetown, which place was immediately occupied by Dahlgren. In 1866, he was ordered to the command of the South Pacific squadron. He returned from that service in 1868. In the fall of 1869 he was ordered to the command of the Washington Navy Yard, which post he held to the time of his death—Washington, D. C., July 12th, aged 60.

Frank, John Christopher Augustus, M. D., M. R. C. P., M. R. C. S.—London, Eng., June 29th, aged 62.

Forney, Philip R.—Eldest son of John W. Forney; was injured by an accident on the Pouchartrain railroad, July 8, having one of his legs crushed, and died of lockjaw, at New Orleans, July 14, aged 20.

Fletcher, A. J.—Late Secretary of State of Tennessee—Bradley, Tenn., July 16th.

Frick, John H.—Son of Dr. Jacob Frick, founder of the Philadelphia *American Sentinel*, a Democratic paper established in 1814. He succeeded his father as editor and proprietor—Germantown, Pa., July 10, aged 59.

Gifford, Sir George M.—Lord Justice of the Court of Appeal in Chancery—London, Eng., recently.

Holaman, John—A prominent citizen and soldier of the war of 1812—Philadelphia, Pa., July 16, aged 78.

Hamilton, Frederick—Son of the Rev. L. Hamilton, and daughter of the Rev. Asa Mead, formerly minister in Brunswick—Portland, Me., June 24th, aged 39.

Hamilton, George Baillie—Earl of Haddington, and brother of the late Marchioness of Ailesbury, Countess of Aberdeen, Lady Polwarth and the Countess Ashburnham. He succeeded to the peerage in 1858. He was appointed Lord in Waiting to Queen Victoria in 1847, having in 1859 been a representative peer for Scotland. In 1866 he was Commissioner to the Church of Scotland, from May 1867, till the resignation of Lord Derby—July 3d, aged 68.

Hunwerth, Mayor—Odessa, Russia—is shot married.

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Kenyon, Judge A. H.—Rome, July 16th, aged 80.

Lamessan, Dr.—An eminent French physician, who lost his life in consequence of his excessive exertion to resuscitate a young girl who was nearly drowned in the Seine. He breathed his own breath into her lungs and began to recover, but he fainted away and could not be restored to consciousness.—Paris, France, recently.

Mitchell, William—A well-known circus clown—Nottingham, Eng., June 28th, aged 40. See particulars in another column.

Miller, Capt. N.—Of the ship "Neptune," of New York—drowned at Newton, while sailing, July 18th.

McLaughlin, Neill—Confederate spy, concerned in the conspiracy to assassinate Secretary Seward, Detective Brooks, etc., in Philadelphia, last summer, and sentenced to imprisonment in the penitentiary, where he died on Wednesday evening, July 13, of consumption, aged 30.

Morrow, General—One of the first settlers and a prominent citizen of Dixfield—Dixfield, Me., June 30th, aged 71.

Norton, Hon. Daniel S.—U. S. Senator from Minnesota; served one year in the Revolutionary war; prominent lawyer, etc.—Washington, D. C., July 13, aged 91.

Price, Gen. Thos. L.—Jefferson City, Mo., July 17th.

Ryan, Edward J.—A prominent business man of Philadelphia—Philadelphia, Pa., July 8th, aged 35.

Simonis, Eugene—Celebrated artist—Brussels, recently.

Stite, Sarah—Colored. She remembered seeing Cornwallis' army pass—Halifax, N. C., recently, aged 120.

Sheldon, Charles—Well-known flute and piccolo player in the York and Leeds theatrical circuits. He was also a member of the 2d West York Light Infantry—Eng., June 23d, aged 28.

Vining, Edward—Of Mr. George Vining, late lessee of the Princess' Theatre, London, Eng., and now of the Adelphi Theatre in that city; made his first appearance on the London stage at Covent Garden, October 1st, 1828, as Tybalt in "Romeo and Juliet"—Highgate Hill, London, Eng., June 27th, aged 73. Further particulars in another column.

Wilson, Nathan—Better known as the "Living Skeleton," and who for the past six years has not weighed more than seventy pounds. He has been on exhibition as "The Wonder" in Boston, Mass., and Canada. Just before his death he had engaged himself for exhibition at O'Brien's Menagerie at Philadelphia.

Wilson, Arthur—Who arms 3½ inches around, while his legs hardly exceeded them in size—Boston, Mass., July 8th, aged 30.

Wright, Major George M.—during the last year of his life he was city editor of the *San Californian*. When the rebellion broke out he enlisted as a private in a New York regiment and was sent to the front, where he saw active service. While stationed at Harper's Ferry the Southerners swooped down upon them and it was found necessary to abandon the place, and, when volunteers were called for to blow up the works, Wright was the first to step forward for the dangerous task. Three others followed his example and two out of the four were instantly killed and Wright and Gordon badly wounded. For this gallant conduct he was commissioned a lieutenant. Subsequently he was sent to Alcatraces Island, California, and, while there, had charge of the "Chapman pirates" and other political prisoners. When the Russian American Telegraph expedition was organized he was offered the position of commissary, with the rank of major. He accepted the offer and spent nearly two years in the ice-bound regions of the far north. After his return to California he became connected with the Western Union Telegraph Company, and afterward accepted a position on the *Alta*—San Francisco, Cal., July 7th, aged 34.

Wilson, Abraham—For many years a note and exchange broker of Philadelphia—Philadelphia, Pa., July 11th, aged 67.

Young, Sophia—Widow of the late Thomas Young, rector of Stockleigh, Devon, Eng., and domestic chaplain to the 34th and 29th Barons Kingsale—London, Eng., June 30th.

OUR PORTRAIT GALLERY.

JOHN C. STROUP, THE CLEVER JOCKEY.

The Clipper's first page is this week illustrated by a likeness of John C. Stroup, a clever little jockey of England, who has come to Uncle Sam's domain to exhibit his skill in urging the race horse to his topmost speed in this country, on the several race courses. In evidence of his pluck and adroitness in so doing, the soon to be *sobriquet* of "Sticking Johnny" has been applied to him; and in endorsement of his skilful riding while in England, he was presented by a nobleman, who is well known at Newmarket, with the lightest race saddle in use, weighing but twenty ounces. He is engaged to ride at Long Branch this season, we understand, so that those who will be there will have an opportunity to witness his

was very fine and the attendance large, consisting of ladies and gentlemen who have a high appreciation of the sport. The following is the score:—Rice, 1111111101011110 1111113—21. Brown, 1100111111111111101111—20.

WM. FLETCHER, of Hollis, and Jno. Hitchins, of Cuba, N.Y., shot at 15 single birds each, for $50 a side, at Mapleton, on the 6th inst., the former scoring 8 to his opponent's 2, Hitchins withdrawing after the eleventh shot.

AQUATIC.

THE OCEAN YACHT RACE.

The following interesting description of the scene at the starting point in the great race, and details of the contest, as far as it had progressed, we extract from the Cork *Reporter* of July 16th:—

The queer old watch Bell buoy was the centre was certainly such as had never before greeted the eyes of the most aquatic Corkonian present, and, regarded either with the eyes of a painter or a yachtsman, was one of the most remarkable beauty. Over the grand expanse of dark green water, tipped with crests of crispy foam, was dispersed in harmonious confusion a vast fleotilla of handsome vessels. Grand schooners, under enormous clouds of snowy canvas, moved here and there with a majestic ease, sounding the advent of the international champions. Big cutters, with vast sails gleaming in the sun, moved along the horizon and filled the view round with color and motion, and scarcely of tinier craft, at far greater speed, danced in and out of the clusters with a saucy, dancing movement. Even the headlands were thronged with spectators, and the whole scene, independent of its pictorial beauty, attested the great interest felt in the event. The day was so far favorable, both for the race and the spectacle afforded in the start. The weather was bright and warm, with a stiff breeze from W. S. W., sufficient to make a fifty ton vessel bend over to the water line, and so far the atmosphere was clear, giving a wide view at every side.

THE START.

The Orwell, on board which was the Sailing Committee of the Royal Cork Yacht Club, who were to act as starters, having run down to westward, the yachts about half a mile beyond the Bell buoy, and then came to a stand still. The Dauntless was at the time on the weather quarter of the Cambria, but as the latter showed a disposition to cross over to the windward, Mr. Bennis gracefully conceded the advantage, and took his position about a cable's length to leeward of the English yacht. At this time both craft had mainsail and foresail hoisted, and the Cambria in addition carried a staysail. In a few minutes the Orwell steamed up to her station to the leeward of the yachts, and all was ready for the start. At half-past two o'clock the Orwell hoisted the signal of preparation, but as the vessels had already set their main and foresails, and had their flying jibs in stops, and were only waiting for the signal to be done on board either craft but to bestow anxious glances at the sails, and make ready to cast off the tug boats when the starting gun fired. Both at this time were close hauled up to the wind, and almost motionless. Four minutes of suspense followed, and then a puff from the gunboat, followed by a quick rush of smoke and a dull thud, liberated the impatient champions from the leading strings in which they had been held. The tugs were hastily cast off, the Cambria leaving the immediate herself from the trammels, a cascade of canvas fluttered out at the bow of each vessel, and in another instant they were under weigh. In setting the gibs the Cambria displayed greater smartness than her rival, and had all her sails trimmed while those of the Dauntless were yet fluttering loose in the wind. The sails in the English yacht had been furled to the rope in the straws, and were set free by a single pull, while the American crew had to haul up the sails in the usual manner, an operation necessarily slower. Both yachts went off on the starboard tack about a hundred yards apart. At the start it seemed as if the English boat was going to be utterly outpaced. The moment the Dauntless was cast adrift and put on the wind she flew off at a magnificent rate, passing her adversary like a flash and taking a lead of a couple of cables' length. The Cambria, in comparison to the free and rapid motion of the American schooner, seemed for a couple of minutes to be moving in a heavy, sluggish manner. This vantage was only temporary. When once her sails were drawing, and she had fairly settled down to the work, not alone her first speed, but her splendid weatherly qualities, became developed. In the old cant again the lost ground she was at least holding her own against her splendid rival, and to the critical eye it was apparent that, while the Dauntless was making no inconsiderable leeway, which necessitated her being kept close on the wind, the English boat was sailing at least two points off. Still the great speed of the Dauntless enabled her to retain the lead notwithstanding this disadvantage. Both yachts bowled along at from ten to eleven knots an hour, within speaking distance of one another, the Cambria retaining a lead of nearly two cables' length. A material alteration took place in their relative positions for the next twenty minutes, when the Cambria suddenly put round on the port tack, executing the manœuvre in splendid style. Hardly a second was lost in the change of direction, and the graceful vessel stretching in towards the land at a speed which soon distanced the smaller craft which attempted to follow. The Dauntless held on the starboard tack for some ten minutes longer, making a far stretch to seaward and then put about to follow her rival. Compared with the rapid and perfect mode in which the Cambria had gone about, the movements of the American appeared clumsy and deficient. For a couple of minutes she kept Vision Orwell sent her sails fluttering, making no way, but when she did begin to move it was magnificent to observe the rate at which she progressed, sweeping by the craft in her course with the speed and grace of a thing endowed with life. At this point of the race the weather became so thick that it was difficult to distinguish the relative positions of the yachts. The Cambria was becoming enveloped in clouds of grey, smoky mist, just as the Dauntless was, after having by degrees, the outline of their sails and the dark line of the hulls became fainter and more faint, and in half an hour after the start they had all but vanished. Most of the steamers returned at this point of the race, but a couple of adventurous boats, with three or four of the yachts, held on and were soon rewarded with a view of the yachts converging upon each other on opposite tacks. The Dauntless was still on the port tack, with all her sails drawing splendidly and an angry surge at her bow, betokening the great speed at which she was moving. The Cambria had completed her stretch in shore, and was going to seaward again on the starboard tack, sailing, as before, a couple of points off the wind, steadily and rapidly, without making an inch of lee way. As the vessels crossed each other the result of the adroit handling of the English craft, aided by her fine weatherly powers, was apparent, and she passed in a couple of cables' length to the windward of her opponent. This advantage, however, she was not destined long to enjoy. In the next tack the superior speed of the American enabled her to regain her original advantage, and when the vessels came together again it was in a

CUPID'S FOIBLES, FOLLIES AND FANCIES.

An S A; Or, A Lover's !

An S A now, I mean 2 write,
To U sweet K T J,
A girl without a B;
The belle of U I K.

If I der if' U got the 1
I wrote 2 U B 4
I sailed in the R K D A,
And sent by L N More.

My M T head will scarce conceive
I claim I D A bright;
But 8 T miles form U I must
M—— this chance 2 write.

And 1st should N E N V U,
B E X, mind it not;
Should N E friendship show, B sure
They should not B forgot.

But friends and foes alike D K,
As U may plainly see
In every funeral E A,
Or under U L G.

From virtue never D V S,
Her influence I B 9,
Alike indoces 10 derness
Or 99 tude divine.

And if U cannot cut a ——
Or cause an I"
I hope you'll pot a .
To I !.

R U for emancipation 2
My cousin, heart 4 sor;
He offers in a T
A $ 2 of land.

He says he loves U 2 X S;
U'r virtuous and Y's,
In Z L N C U X L
All others in his P's.

This S A until U I C,
I pray U B X Q's,
And 60 not burn in F E G
My quaint and wayward muse.

Now, fare U well, dear K T J
I trust that U R true;
When this U C, then U can say
An S A I O U.

THE SOCIAL PLAGUE.

ORDINANCE FOR RESTRICTING AND SUPERVISING PROSTITUTION.

An ordinance recently introduced by Mr. Gottschalk in the City Council to regulate prostitution was prepared after a full and free consultation of the Board of Health, Police Commissioners, the Mayor, the medical faculty, and prominent members of the City Council of St. Louis, Mo. It is termed "An ordinance to regulate houses of ill-fame."

The evil already exists, and the utter failure of the police authorities to check its spread by arresting, dragging the poor, degraded women through the streets, and incarcerating them in loathesome cells, has convinced our authorities, says an exchange, "of the necessity of inaugurating a more humane system. With this object in view several conferences were held, and the result was an ordinance at present, imperfect in form, but certainly possessing the merit of practical sense, and at least worth an experiment. Even if no good results should accrue therefrom, the new bill forces all brothel-keepers and their inmates to understand that their infamous vocation is only tolerated. Public and private brothels are to be reported to the police, and keepers and inmates registered. The police regulations are to be read over and subscribed; any violation is to be severely punished. Change of residence is to be notified under penalty for failure. Privileges can be withdrawn by the authorities at pleasure. Houses of this class will only be tolerated where the landlord or landlady is registered, where every resident inmate is registered, and where each inmate is known as the party named. Women from abroad or of the city, who are living as mistresses, must obtain police permission, and pay the tax for the first class, without being subject to stated medical visits. They also have the right of the free use of the general infirmary. Should one of this class break over the rules, she is to be treated as a public woman. When married the full and correct name must be given, with age, place of birth, names of parents, and the fact of their consent or refusal. Female servants or relatives of the brothel keepers residing with them must be over 25 years old. No children of either sex over 10 years old will be allowed to be kept in brothels. Even the children of inmates must be educated and brought up elsewhere. Public solicitation or street-walking is prohibited.

"No common woman, without a male companion, will be allowed on the streets after 11 P. M. No persons under 21 years of age are to be allowed to visit brothels under any circumstances. No music, gaming, or liquor selling to be allowed, except by special permission. Any woman desiring to return to a virtuous life is to have every encouragement to do so, notwithstanding any claims of the keeper. If a disagreement as to claim arises the police shall settle it; but under no circumstances shall the keeper have any lien upon her person and property. If such a woman returns to her evil life, then the keeper's claim shall revive, and she may be even punished. If parents or relatives will undertake the reclamation of an erring woman, the police will compel restitution of her person, irrespective of the keeper's claims, or even of the woman's refusal. Public women are to be subjected every week to the visitation of physicians designated for the purpose, who shall prescribe the rules and regulations of their conduct. The orders of the physicians are imperative and must be strictly obeyed. Each physician is to make a detailed report weekly to the Mayor and Chief of Police, the same to be entered in a book to be kept by each keeper of a brothel. A keeper is to be put under bonds and is to be responsible personally for any damage sustained by visitors to his or her house. Each keeper is to pay a monthly personal and house tax. A Magdalen hospital is to be established, and will be supported by the inmates and keepers of houses of ill fame. In other words, the healthy and prosperous will be compelled to support and maintain their sisters in sin stricken by disease. The object of the asylum is not only to check the spread of disease, but to reclaim the fallen by throwing around them influences of a moral character. When cured, if they desire to remove into a strange locality, where the history of their former career is unknown, they will be furnished with transportation and the necessary means for a temporary maintenance. The Mayor, after a full examination of the subject, says he is convinced that in no other way can this growing evil be checked. Physicians report to him that the spread of certain diseases among nearly all classes is positively alarming. Thousands are suffering from diseases inoculated at birth, the result of the evil course of one of their parents. The good sense of the religious community is appealed to—to throw no obstacle in the way of this proposed reform until it has had a full and fair trial. The bill was afterwards reported back, when the hospital and House of Correction sections were stricken out. A Mr. Hogan moved to amend by making the registry of bawdy houses open to the inspection of the members of the council. Mr. O'Brien (Eighth Ward) said there were too many in his ward for personal inspection. The amendment was adopted and the bill was passed. Messrs. Gale, Hannibal, Hill, Hogan and Letlin voting in the negative."

FREE-LOVEISM IN MASSACHUSETTS.

A slight ripple was caused on the surface of Randolph society when it became known, on Friday, July 8th, that on the day previous a well-known and highly respected citizen had mysteriously disappeared from town, together with the young wife of another citizen who moved in a respectable circle. As the parties' names were hawked from lip to ear through the usually quiet community the ripple increased to a wave, and the fact that

THE MALE SLOPER

held a high position in the only bank in the place led the moneyed interest to look sharply into the affairs of the institution, fearful that a defalcation, the natural outgrowth of such affairs, might prove a reality in this case. The facts, so far as we have been able to hastily gather them from trustworthy sources, are these:—On Thursday morning, July 7th, Mr. Henry Stephens, the cashier of the Randolph National Bank, came to Boston on the Newport train, in company with his wife, ostensibly to select carpets for a new house he was about to furnish. Leaving Mrs. Stevens at the carpet dealer's to pursue her inquiries and make her choice, he made an excuse of down town business of more or less urgency and departed. On the same day, Mrs. Moulton,

THE YOUNG AND ESTEEMED WIFE

of Mr. E. Moulton, Jr., also left Randolph, in company with her two very young children, for Boston, on a later train however. She remained over one train at Braintree, the place of her nativity, and left her children with her relatives, stating that she intended to do a little shopping in the city, and proceeded there. This is the last seen or heard of either party by their friends and acquaintances, and previous circumstances, including slight familiarities of manner in which both parties are said to have been to indulge in each other's company, lead to the strongest suspicions of their unlawful joint disappearance. The gentleman is of fine personal presence, about forty years of age, and has been employed in various capacities in the bank from boyhood, serving in the capacity of cashier for the past twelve years. He has been considered perfectly trustworthy in every regard, and the officers of the Randolph and all associate banks have had the highest faith in his integrity. He has been

MARRIED TEN YEARS,

and to all outward appearance has lived in accord with his wife, by whom he has two interesting children. Up to this morning a searching inquiry into the account of the bank has failed to elicit the shadow of an irregularity; but when the property and securities of the depositors are reached, there is no predicting the result of the investigation. The unfaithful lady is but twenty-five years old, and has been married between two and three years. Her maiden name was Libby, and, as before stated, she came from Braintree. One of her children is

A MERE INFANT.

She is the opposite of her recusant partner in personal appearance, being quite plain, though her manner is agreeable and her education well up to the New England standard. She had gained some reputation as a soprano singer. The direction in which the guilty pair have gone to enjoy each other's society, away from the reach of the molesting arm of the law, is of course mere matter of conjecture; but the quiet hints thrown out by the wise ones of the little town that they have gone on a European trip are not at all improbable, as steamers leave New York every day to cross the broad Atlantic. Though neither of the parties have the reputation of being overburdened with this world's goods or filthy lucre, they undoubtedly have the wherewithal for

AN AGREEABLE SOJOURN

over the water. Escapades of this nature are of so frequent occurrence in the aggregate that they are viewed lightly by the general public. This case cannot but cause a feeling of sincere sympathy for the father, mother and infant children who have been left behind, to realize in the future the manner of their parents' departure in a light that must strike them as being even worse than death; and the mournful effect the sad occurrence has caused in families of high repute will be regretted by every sincere observer of the thoughts and feelings of individuals who move in worthy circles.—*Boston Transcript, July 9th.*

A NOVEL MARRIAGE SERVICE.—At Ravenna, Ohio, the other day, a man and woman, before the Mayor, performed this singular marriage ceremony:—

Before you, as witness, I agree to take Catherine Stocel, whom I lead by the right hand, and whom I intelligently, religiously and spiritually love, to be my companion through life, and to her I accord equal rights, socially, religiously and politically with myself.
W. PIERCE.

Before you, as witness, I agree to take Walter Pierce, whom I now lead by the hand, and whom I intelligently, religiously and spiritually love, to be my companion through life, and I agree to not step over or transcend him in any particular.
CATHERINE STOCEL.

By this voluntary and premeditated act, in your presence, we declare ourselves religiously, philosophically and scientifically married.
WALTER PIERCE.
CATHERINE PIERCE.

These papers having been duly filed, his honor completed the contract thus entered into by pronouncing the parties husband and wife.

PROTRACTED PRIZE FIGHT

BETWEEN

DOMINICK BRADLEY AND S. S. RANKIN,

At Point Albino, Can., Aug. 1st, 1857.

One of the most manly, stubbornly contested battles recorded in the annals of American pugilism was that which took place at Point Albino, Canada, in 1857, between those Philadelphia heavy weights, Dominick Bradley and S. S. Rankin, and in compliance with requests of numerous readers of this department, we herewith re-produce the report thereof, which appeared in the CLIPPER at the time.

DOMINICK BRADLEY was born in County Derry, Ireland, Feb. 12, 1826, stands six feet one inch, and in proper fix lowered the scales at 194 pounds. He came to this country when very young, and the first we heard of him as a pugilist was in the winter of 1853, when he was matched to fight Hugh Sloan, of Baltimore, for $300 a side. Bradley then resided in the lower part of Philadelphia. The fight took place in Westchester Co., Pa., on the 1st of December, 1853, when, after a contest of twelve rounds, occupying twenty-one minutes, the superior strength of Bradley told the tale in the defeat of Sloan. On that occasion, neither man exhibited much knowledge of the science of manual defence, the fight being of a sloggish nature from beginning to end. Bradley then weighed 201 lbs., not being in condition to fight; Sloan was a much smaller man, not weighing much over 160 lbs. The authorities of the county soon after issued warrants for the arrest of those implicated, and a number of persons were arrested; among them, Bradley. Their trial came off in the February following, and Bradley was sentenced to six months imprisonment and a fine of $100. The others were sentenced to an imprisonment of one month each, and a fine of $100. Sloan, at the time, succeeded in making his escape, and for some time eluded the pursuit of the officers who were placed upon his track. On the 10th of February, however, he was arrested in Baltimore and at once taken to Philadelphia. While on his way, in the cars, the officer who had him in charge became somewhat drowsy, perceiving which, Sloan jumped out while the cars were moving along at the rate of 25 miles an hour. The officer soon missed his charge, had the train stopped, and, on proceeding back a short distance, found Sloan by the side of the road; he had been severely injured in escaping from the car. He was soon after lodged in jail. Some time now elapsed before we again heard of Bradley as a pugilist; but at a sparring exhibition given by John Hasson, in Philadelphia, on the 19th of November, 1855, Bradley made his appearance upon the stage, and offered to fight any man in the country for from $1,000 to $5,000; it was said that in making this offer he excepted his own countrymen. It was therefore thought, that in thus challenging, he had Mr. Hyer in view. However, a week or five later, Mr. Bradley, in a card, said he would accommodate any one of his own countrymen, as well as others. But the original challenge had stirred up the blood of some of the natives, and Matt Rusk responded to the challenge and offered to make a match with Bradley. After a long newspaper controversy on the subject, the match ended in smoke, on account of the parties not being able to agree as to the place of fighting, Rusk wishing to have it come off in Pennsylvania, while Bradley preferred Canada, and thus fizzled out this affair. There was considerable talk on the subject of match making after this, but nothing of a definite nature transpired until the following July, when Mr. Thos. Stewart, who had been on a visit to Philadelphia, called upon us, and stated that he had been authorized by Mr. Bradley to challenge John Morrissey, of New York, for $2000 a side. What followed may be gathered from the annexed article, which appeared in the CLIPPER of August 30, 1856:—

> The following week Mr. Harry Gribbin answered the challenge, and offered to take the match himself, it being hinted that Morrissey did not care to make a match at that time, for certain reasons best known to himself, and of no interest to the public. After a few paper bullets had been discharged on each side, Mr. Gribbin came in our hands to pay Bradley's expenses to New York to make a match. This was a clincher, from which there was no chance of a back out, and Bradley arrived here in good season, and on the afternoon of the 18th of August, the articles of agreement were duly signed, articles to fight, and $30 a side was deposited, Bradley receiving the $20, which had been left in our hands for his expenses. At this meeting Mr. Morrissey appeared on behalf of Mr. Gribbin, and there seemed to be considerable feeling between Messrs. Bradley and Morrissey, hard words passing, although at parting all was quiet and orderly. It must be remembered that articles had been signed at this meeting, and everything betokened an earnestness on both sides. Something transpired, after this time, however, and the stakeholder selected refused to act, and it was then agreed to draw the money down—because, as it was asserted, a *stakeholder could not be agreed upon to hold the stakes of* $4,000. This appears to have been unknown to Harry. When the money had been drawn, and the proposed match between Bradley and Gribbin knocked in the head, before the parties separated a friend of Bradley's stated that there was one man he would like to see Bradley fight, and that man was Tom Hyer, saying, "he is one of the roaring lauvies which he never won—and there are Irishmen in the United States that can whip him.

This brings us to the proposed match in which it is erroneously supposed that Bradly received a forfeit from Hyer. The facts are these:—On Bradley's friend thus expressing himself, James Montgomery offered to *bet* $25 that Bradley would not be in New York on the following Saturday evening to make a match to fight Hyer. The bet was accepted on the part of Bradly. Should both parties meet, *then* a forfeit of $500 a side was to have been made. Bradley returned home, and in a day or two *he sent a telegraphic despatch to Morrissey*, informing that gentleman that he (Bradley) would certainly be in New York on Saturday, and he did come. Hastings' house, the place of meeting, was crowded on the occasion, but the hours flew by without Hyer making his appearance. The latter stated to a few of his friends that the match had been proposed without his being consulted, and he did not feel it incumbent upon him to be at the beck and call of every man. If Bradly wanted to fight him, he said, he had only to see him on the subject and he should be satisfied. During the evening, when it became certain that Hyer would not appear, Morrissey said that sooner than Bradley should return to Philadelphia without a match, he, Morrissey would make a match to fight him for $10,000. Bradly was anxious to try, but the friends of both interposed, and thus the matter ended, Bradley returning home in a day or two after, having won the bet of $25. After this, Awful Gardner, who was then on a sparring tour, visited Philadelphia, and a match was proposed between Bradley and him, but Gardner, being a stranger in that city, found it difficult to find backers for the amount which Bradley proposed, and, after various disputes and much wrangling, this also went off. The friends of Bradley seemed willing and disposed to match him against all comers, not that they were confident of his ability to defeat his opponent, but they were anxious to see what he could do when properly trained and brought to the ring in good condition. From the many discussions regarding the merits of Mr. Bradley, it was not surprising that a customer was at length found, and this proved to be S. S. Rankin, the proprietor of a public house at the corner of Broad and Rose streets, Philadelphia.

SAM'L S. RANKIN was born at Belfast, Ireland—height, a little over six feet and his weight a little over 180 lbs. Until the present match we had not before heard of Rankin as a pugilist, and from all we can learn he had never appeared as a principal in the prize ring. It was thought, however, by those who knew the man best that he would make a fitting match for Bradley; he was said to possess a fair knowledge of boxing, and, being a careful man withal, his friends had every confidence that he could pull through successfully in a contest with Bradley. A meeting of the friends of both men took place, and $80 a side was deposited as a forfeit to bind the parties to make a match. Subsequent meetings were held, and on the 18th of May articles of agreement were drawn up, and signed on the 26th, the men agreeing to fight for $1,000 a side on the 1st of August, 1857, on Canadian soil, Bradley coming in himself to 190 lbs., Thos. Elliott, who then kept a house on Front street, above Dock, in the Quaker City, being agreed upon as stakeholder.

Rankin secured the services of Joe Coburn, as trainer, and in company with that boxer visited New York, where he gave a sparring exhibition on the 17th of June. A dispute occurred about this time between Rankin and Coburn, and the latter did not remain any longer with him. Rankin, however, secured the services of Jim Adams, the pedestrian, then lately arrived from England, and company with his new trainer Sam repaired to the sea shore, in the vicinity of Atlantic City, N. J., where he remained until the Saturday previous to the day fixed for the battle. Bradley took his breathings also in New Jersey, but in close proximity to the river Delaware, returning every evening to his own residence on the borders of the Delaware, on the Philadelphia side. He endeavored to secure the services of Phil. Clure to train him, at an early stage of the match, but Phil., having a comfortable situation, was compelled to decline the offer made him. Bradley was placed in the charge of Jonas Fox on the morning of the 30th of July, the time appointed for the weighing, he barely turning the scales at 186¼ lbs., being 3¼ lbs. under the stipulated weight, having reduced himself by a system of severe exercise, in two months, *forty-four pounds*. A few weeks before the day of battle Con. Fitzgerald was engaged to attend upon Bradley, who soon after left his own residence and took up his quarters in one of the neighboring rural districts, remaining there until the latter part of the week prior to the day of the battle. Rankin left for Buffalo early in the week, accompanied by his trainer, and Bradley left on the afternoon of the 30th, soon after the ceremony of weighing had been gone through with; he was also accompanied by his trainers. Rankin weighed 180¾ lbs.

The ground chosen was the same upon which Harry Lazarus and Denny Horrigan fought, and the journey thereto was made by both land and water, fully six thousand people being present. As the articles required the combatants to appear in the ring between 12 and 1 P. M., shortly before the latter hour they made their *entree*, accompanied by seconds and friends. Bradley was dressed as the model picture of an Irish farmer. He wore breeches made of light drab merino, with ribbon ties turned in at the knees, the usual favorite blue ribbed stockings, and high-lows. Rankin wore breeches of a dark drab, with four ivory buttons at the knees, white stockings, and high-lows. Both men were received with loud cheers, and, after sitting a few minutes, retired.

At 4 P. M. the deliberations for selecting a referee were brought to a satisfactory close by the choice of Isaiah Smith, of Buffalo. Richard Buckley, of New York, was umpire for Rankin, and William McMullen, of Philadelphia, for Bradley. The principals were now brought into the ring, Con. Fitzgerald and Harry Phillips seconding Bradley, and Tom Davis and Rankin's half-brother, Wm. J. Ayer, seconding Rankin. The choice of corners was won by Tom Davis for Rankin. On stripping, the admirable condition of both men attracted shouts of applause. Bradley's colors were red, white and blue. Rankin's were plain Mazarine blue. At the call of "Time!" by the umpires, all the parties in the ring took their stations, with Rankin at the northwest corner and Bradley at the southeast. At a signal they all advanced to the centre, and the usual ceremonies of the shaking of hands took place. At 4.15 the principals first toed the mark for

THE FIGHT.

Round 1. Both men contributed to make a fine picture of pugilism in their first attitudes. Some cautious sparring took place on the prospecting principle. Rankin made the first hit out, which was put in rather low, but well stopped. More sparring. Bradley put in twice, but was cleverly stopped each time. Rankin made another lunge with his right, but received a terrific stinger on his right ogle, administered by Bradley's left. (Cries of "First blood for Bradley!") By advice of Tom Davis Rankin straightened himself by this time preventing a repetition of Bradley's impudence could not pass. Rankin soon made another lunge with his right and then Bradley put in a stunning facer, which gave Rankin a clean throw on his bumbo. (Cries of "First knock down for Bradley!")

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4. Bradley laughing. Rankin serious. After feinting on each side led to an exchange of short round clips, novice fashion, but Bradley soon began to force the fighting and drove Rankin to his corner. Both had bellows to mend and Rankin dropped. (Cheers for Bradley.)

5. Rankin came up looking more confident. Bradley wolfish, and soon put in a rib rattler. Rankin began sparring on the retreat. "Come up and fight!" says Bradley. More novice fighting ensued, in the course of which Rankin was caught napping twice by Bradley, who put in a couple of stinging stunners on Rankin's right house, which made him reel, while Bradley drove him to his corner, where he dropped. (Vociferous cheering for Bradley.)

6. Rankin serious. Bradley put in a lunge with his left on Rankin's portmanteau. More round hitting on the guards, novice fashion. Bradley got some of his put in on Rankin's dial, and Rankin retreated low. Ran the dial side, where a clinch and a throw brought Rankin under and Bradley fell across him.

7. Both cautious. Rankin made some effort to assume the aggressive, and began to prosper immediately. He put in a couple of tremendous body blows on Bradley. After a little sparring Rankin administered an awful crusher on Bradley's right jaw and a straight drive in the throat, but soon fell with weakness from these efforts. (Loud cheers for R. aikin.)

8. Both blowing for time. Rankin began again with a plunger on Bradley's traveling trunk. More novice fighting, in the course of which an exchange of shocking chucks under the chin was made. Both came to the scratch again properly, and some hits were made which looked like science. Bradley broke down Rankin's guard and administered a tremendous polthegne on his left temple, which swelled up immediately, so as to almost blind that eye. The force of this blow also stunned Rankin into a state of wild stupor, and yet he picked himself up with a wonderful degree of dogged endurance.

9. Rankin was sleepy, his short for Bradley's body, and soon fell. (Loud cries of "Take him away!")

10. Bradley laughing. Some pretty fair sparring. Rankin got in a dab on Bradley's bread basket, who rushed in, broke down his guard, and Rankin had to go to prayers. (Some fluttering in the beta.)

11. Rankin spread himself for business, and put in some body drivers which made Bradley qualmish. Some very fierce taps were exchanged on the letter box of each, enough to shake out the ivories. Bradley then rushed in with a weaving motion of his guard, and screwed his man over to the ropes, where he beat down Rankin's guard, who then felt exhausted.

12. A mere retreating dance on the part of Rankin. A chop blow from Bradley, and Rankin down. (A smart shower of rain.)

13. Rankin tried his favorite lunge, but "took the measure of an unmade grave" forwards. (Some very bright sunshine.)

14. Rankin was almost blind of the left eye. Bradley began to drive him out of his shady corner and take possession of it himself, thus forcing Rankin to face the sun with what eyesight he had left. Rankin began well, however, and some smart exchanges were made, when Bradley succeeded in putting in a wide-awaker on Rankin's left eye, which, as it bled freely, did not swell like the other. Rankin fell, much exhausted, and Bradley began to pipe a little. (Cheers on both sides.)

15. Bradley put in one of his rushers on Rankin's guard, and down the latter went. (A few trifling bets, even, on each side.)

16. Bradley put in four awful facers, one after the other. Rankin now began to find what a ring fight is. He stood up well to his work, and delivered a smasher on Bradley's right jaw, and another on his nose, which made Bradley pause to consider. He soon rallied, however, and beat down Rankin's guard, and Rankin had to go down. (Cries of "Give Rankin three cheers!" and done it was with a will.)

17. Another retreating dance, one clip from Bradley, and Rankin down. (Cries of "Go in, Rankin! if you do yer safe.")

18. Rankin much improved. He stopped better, and put in one on Bradley's throat. Bradley hammered down his guard, and he had to go to worship without regard to forms of prayer.

19. Both men looked business-like. Rankin put in a rattler among Bradley's kitchen furniture, and Bradley returned the compliment on Rankin's dial with such effect as to knock his whole clock case over. (Vociferous cheers for Bradley.)

18 and 19. These two rounds brought the fight to a shape which was so often repeated that we shall avoid much tedious repetition by referring to them as models. This shape seems to have been induced by the necessity of the case, for Rankin was so severely punished in the first half dozen rounds that his only chance for success lay in prolonging the fight so as to weaken Bradley, or if the worst came to the worst, show that indomitable degree of endurance which Rankin unquestionably possessed. Bradley would walk leisurely out of his corner, looking around, as much as to say:—"Is there any fighting to be done here?" He then would stand at the scratch, and Rankin (who was almost invariably held back ten or fifteen seconds by the *finesse* of Tom Davis), would then face him. Bradley would begin to saw wood immediately. Rankin would retreat out of his own shade into the very sunshine which had fallen to Bradley's lot, and then Bradley would hammer down Rankin's guard until his latter had to go down. There being no scientific points in such rounds, the details would be useless.

20. An interesting rally. A tremendous lunge from Bradley was countered on Rankin's right elbow. Bradley got away well, put in a chop, and Rankin went down. (Tremendous cheering.)

21. Some pretty sparring and very neat stops. Some signs of a clinch, but no throw, for Rankin shut up like a jack-knife.

22. A retreating dance entirely around the ring. Some open handed slaps exchanged. Rankin down. Been fighting 30 minutes.

23. After some neat stopping, Bradley administered a butt blow on Rankin's conk which started the claret right and left, and floored the receiver. (Cries of "Let the claret help his blind eye!")

24 and 25. Like 18 and 19. In both these rounds Rankin fell at Bradley's corner, and what made the circumstance more comical was the fact that he lay in such a position that Bradley could not get in himself. This was remedied by Rankin walking round, when Bradley joined, although he needed recruiting. The umpires allowed a minute's time in each case.

26. Rankin made one lunge, but fell forwards. Bradley stood still and looked down upon his opponent, laughing.

27. Some good stops and sharp exchanges. Bradley looked wolfish and gave a sockdolager on the throat. Rankin fell, spitting blood.

28. Bradley gave a flush hit on the conk, which floored Rankin with an abundance of claret. (Much chaffing going on outside.)

29. Like 18 and 19.

30. Rankin delivered a lightning express package on Bradley's stigmatic, which staggered the receiver, and then followed this up with a battering arm lunge on the ribs, which made Bradley look somewhat inclined to be pious, or at least make some sign of piety, "but he soon sent out his left with crushing force and Rankin went to."

31. Bradley still seemed very anxious to get in that left of his. Rankin aimed for his breadbasket, but hit short and fell. Rankin here complained of the loss of his great love received from one of the pikes in Bradley's fighting shoes. Bradley also showed a semi-circular scratch received on his left shoe in a similar way. But Rankin's was a severe wound and bled freely. (Committee of the whole in discussion.)

32, 33 and 34. Like 18 and 19, continuously with open-handed exchanges.

35. This was also similar, but Bradley backed Rankin to the ropes and then seemed not to know what to do with him, especially as Bradley was just then very weak. He allowed Rankin to fall forwards.

36, 37 and 38. In all of these Rankin made one lunge with his right and then he hit Bradley below the belt. Bradley below the belt while in the act of falling. Bradley's seconds claimed a foul blow, but Mr. Smith saw the circumstance and did not allow the claim.

39. Rankin tried to use his left, partly fell, got up again, let fly and fell straight out. Bradley laughing.

40. Some sharp exchanges. Rankin put in a severe throttler, fell on one knee, got up, and sent a regular thunderbolt on Bradley's right eye. Bradley thought proper to sneeze and Rankin then walked to his own corner. The seconds on either side seemed quite unprepared for such a demonstration.

41. Rankin began well with a straight one from his left and then a lunge from his right, which he fell with, delivering the latter.

42. Rankin put in his left very effectively three times on Bradley's body. Bradley got wolfish. A short rally of in-fighting ensued, and gradually Rankin's guard was lowered, and he fell.

43. Like 18 and 19, with the addition that Rankin fell at his own corner after going the rounds. (Loud cheering and laughter from both sides.)

44, 45 and 46. Like 18 and 19, with the addition of occasional exchanges of open-handed smacks, for both men were cautious on distance.

47, 48, 49, 50, 51 and 52. Like 18 and 19. Rankin very weak.

53. Much chaffing from Bradley. "Come up and fight!" said he. Rankin was advised by Tom Davis to stand up straighter. He did so, and assumed the aggressive so well as to put in a regular billsticker on Bradley's front fence, and a couple of open-handed smacks on his letter-box. Bradley went around as if clambering up some very steep stairs, and delivered a couple of straight stingers on Rankin's frontispiece, the last of which straightened him out. "Great sensation," as the French say.)

54. Rankin put in a lunge with his right, and recovered himself very well. Both men stood in the middle of the ring and did their work much better. Bradley got a chance to put in his awful sledge-hammer right, and Rankin caved like a jack-knife shutting up shop.

55. Like 18 and 19.

56. After a few passes Rankin fell, pointing out his right.

57. Rankin put in a regular pavement hammer on Bradley's right jaw. A rushing rally ensued. Bradley got in his left, but rather short. Rankin tried to reciprocate, but fell in the effort. (Loud cheers for Rankin.)

58. A brisk change of body blows. Another countering by way of Rankin's right elbow. Bradley getting savage. Rankin down.

59, 60 and 61. Like 18 and 19.

62. After much pirouetting B. made a lunge with his right in Rankin fashion, but went an inch too low. "Foul" was claimed, but not allowed. Another minute given to "wipe up" the men.

63, 64 and 65. Like 18 and 19.

66. Rankin commenced business with a regular staggerer on Bradley's sconce and made his lighthouse windows sparkle and flicker. Bradly now got up aggressive steam and delivered such a crusher on Rankin's letter box as to split his upper kisser. "Much claret!"

67. Bradley says, "Come up here!" Rankin hit out, but short of mark, and fell forwards. (Cries of "Give Rankin three cheers!" and they were given with a will.)

68, 69, 70, 71 and 72. Like 18 and 19.

73. Bradley delivered a round, swinging blow on Rankin's right (the beat) eye and Rankin fell like an ox in a slaughter house.

74. Like 18 and 19. Rankin fell so continuously that he might now be considered as almost blind. He fell, feeling for his opponent. (Tremendous cheering for Rankin.)

75. Two light taps from Bradley and Rankin fell.

76. Here occurred the only thing like a scientific one-two in the whole fight. They were given by Bradley. Rankin down.

77. Bradley administered a lunge on Rankin's ribs and the latter fell, spitting blood freely.

78. Like 18 and 19.

79. Rankin lunged short of distance and fell forwards.

80. Rankin stumbled twice from weakness, but rallied and shone out very well while on the defensive; dropped in a heap at last.

81. Rankin made some rattling good exchanges; more sparring; Bradley at last made a chop which glanced on Rankin's breast and downed him quite softly.

82, 83, 84, 85, 86 and 87. Like 18 and 19.

87. Bradley very wolfish. He put in three smashers on the beeline principle and so exhausted himself in the efforts that he fell on his knees, but kept his guard up while showing signs of early piety. There was nothing to fear from Rankin, who lay all along for a full length portrait.

88. Bradley rushed his man to the ropes; a smart rally ensued, and some smart exchanges were made, but Rankin had to slide down at that. (Cries of "Good boy, Rankin!" and "Finish him off, Bradley!")

89. After an ineffective lunge from Rankin and some sparring, Bradley was thrown in a grapple sideways. The seconds were so astonished at such an event that Rankin actually walked to his own corner. (Great cheering for Rankin.)

91. A very good rallying round, with something like give and take; Rankin delivered some brush blows on Bradley's chops which soon gave them a bonga prominence. (Loud cheers for Rankin.)

92. This was a similar exhibition of fair and square stand up work. Both men had now got well warmed in their harness and showed the admirable training they had received. Bradley, getting impatient, began his weaving and clambering rushes again. Rankin could not (or did not) resist much of this, and had to go down.

93. Rankin put in a lunge with his right on Bradley's medicine chest, but fell with the effort. (Cries of "How do you like that, Brad?")

94. Rankin put in a sickener on Bradley's windpipe, and, after some smart exchanges, went down. (Cries of "Well done Rank!")

95, 96, 97, 98 and 99. Like 18 19.

100. Both men began to revive. After some smart exchanges Rankin put in several stunners on Bradley's temple. That individual began to use his crushing left, and Rankin had to succumb.

101. Like 18 and 19. At the close Bradley was so exhausted that he fell across Rankin's corpus. (Much laughter.)

102. Like 18 and 19.

103. Bradley got in that left of his with stunning effect upon Rankin's show case. Rankin rallied, fair and square, but could not face that music long.

104, 105 and 106. Like 18 and 19.

107. Rankin received an artillery crash on his right jaw, and spilt out much of the ruby. Bradley got to laughing, and Rankin got to grass. (Cries of "Give Rank some more cheers!")

108. Bradley came up gally, but found that he needed a bosswipe almost as much as Rankin. He managed to get at Rankin's best (the right) eye again, and seemed quite glad when Rankin fell.

109, 110 and 111. Like 18 and 19. In the last Rankin stumbled backwards. (Very fine shower.)

112. Bradley administered another crasher on Rankin's lower jaw, and the latter fell like a log.

113. Like 18 and 19. (Remarkably hot and bright sunshine.)

114. One of the best rounds in the whole fight. Three distinct rallies of smart stopping and exchanging. At last Rankin went down from the force of a swing blow given by Bradley's right.

115, 116, 117, 118 and 119. Like 18 and 19, with the addition that Rankin fell across Bradley, notwithstanding the dreadful state of his eyes ever since the sixth round. (More showers, but the faithful remained.)

120. Rankin got rather sassy with his mawleys, and Bradley then gave one of those tremendous swings with his right which generally sweep the board.

121. Rankin got in two demonstrators on Bradley's dial, when Bradley let last downed him at his own corner.

122. Bradley was similarly situated in this round. As he made his swing Rankin began to fall and Bradley had hard work to keep himself from giving what might have been a foul blow, but he saved himself handsomely.

123, 124, 125 and 126. Like 18 and 19. (Hot sun again.)

127. A very good round of compliments on both side, but Bradley the most punished.

128, 129, 130 and 131. Like 18 and 19.

132. Rankin gave a rattling crasher on Bradley's lighthouse, and Bradley repeated with two on the receiver's trunk, which sent him down.

133, 134, 135 and 136. Like 18 and 19. (More showers.)

137. In going the "rounds" this time, like 18 and 19, Rankin was stated to have gone down without a blow. The fight was claimed by Bradley's seconds, but the referee considered Rankin not to blame.

138. Rankin got in a wizener on Bradley's throat, but fell with the effort.

139 and 140. Like 18 and 19. (Nice breeze with sunshine.)

141. A very interesting round. Rankin almost blind, but making wonderful efforts. Bradley began clambering up stairs again and Rankin had to reach after him as well as he could see. At last, with a glancing blow upon Bradley's breast, he fell.

142. Like 18 and 19.

143. A fine round, well fought and nearly all in the middle of the ring, until Rankin dropped with exhaustion.

144. Rankin, being so close to Bradley's conk, started with claret, Bradley gave him almost an extinguisher on the conk, which started more yet of the claret. (Cries of "Take him away.")

145, 146 and 147. Rankin lunged with his right and fell forwards, short of mark.

148. In this round Rankin continued his lunge, as he could not see to do anything else, and this time he gave Bradley a regular gallburster on the ribs before falling.

149. Rankin got in one on Bradley's breast, but Bradley got his awful left at work and Rankin had to jack-knife his knees again.

150. Another lunge from Rankin, who fell forwards.

151. Another lunge, which Bradley declined to accept, and a brisk round of sparring and dodging brought Rankin down.

152. At the call of "time" Rankin fell without being able to strike a blow. Bradley, amid deafening cheers, was declared winner at 7.15, which shows the fight to have lasted two hours and fifty-eight minutes.

As the shades of evening were now coming on, a general scramble commenced for getting "home again." The adventures of the morning were far eclipsed by those of the evening, as thousands can testify. The Globe was the first boat in at Buffalo, at about eleven o'clock on Saturday night, when the wharves were lined with thousands of people immediately waiting for news of the result. During Saturday evening, and all day Sunday, the excitement in New York and Philadelphia to learn the result of the match was intense. The various newspaper offices in the latter city were thronged with those in "pursuit of knowledge under difficulties," but nothing reliable was received until Monday morning. Various bogus reports were put in circulation, and as they favored either man, so did the partizans of that man rejoice. No telegraphic dispatches were received on Sunday, but, notwithstanding this, all sorts of reports were in circulation. These conflicting rumors only tended to increase the excitement, and all hands were on the *qui vive* on Monday morning to see what the dailies had to say on the subject; but they were all silent; not a word about the fight; and then commenced the rush to the CLIPPER office, the people knowing that if there was any reliable news in the city there they would find it; and as soon as we received a dispatch from our reporter the result was posted on a bulletin at the entrance to our office, where it was read by thousands, and the news soon flew through the city, and was in a short time telegraphed all over the country.

AQUATICS.

THE PROPOSED RACE FOR THE QUEEN'S CUP.

SKETCH OF THE YACHT AMERICA.

After the great contest now taking place upon the broad waters of the Atlantic between the champion schooner yachts of England and America is decided, the event which will command the greatest amount of attention from yachtmen on both sides of the ocean will be the proposed second race for the cup won by the famous yacht America in 1851, which trophy the Cambria hopes to carry back to the Queen's dominions. As a necessary measure to render less probable a result so mortifying to our people the commodore of the New York Club has issued the subjoined order to the owners of schooners in the squadron to prepare for the event:—

To enable the commodore of the squadron to inform the committee having in charge the matter of the challenge of Mr. Ashbury and his yacht Cambria, the representatives of the Royal Thames Yacht Club, to compete with the squadron of the New York Yacht Club for the possession of the cup won by the yacht America, and to put them in possession of the numerical force and prepared condition of that force which may be calculated with certainty to be placed at their disposal, it is

Ordered, That the owners of every schooner yacht belonging to the squadron report personally to the commodore at his office, No. 50 Exchange place, on or before the 25th inst., his intention of having his yacht fully prepared for duty on that occasion and ready to enter as an appearance for the day that may be fixed upon for the race.

Upon the proposition being made by Mr. Ashbury to contend for the cup, the naval auth

BASE BALL.

CINCINNATI vs. FOREST CITY.

A TIE GAME—SCORE: 16 TO 16.

TREMENDOUS EXCITEMENT.

Monday, July 11th, was a notable day in the northwestern annals of our national game. Rockford was jubilant over the fact that the "Red Stockings" were fairly and squarely matched by the Forest Citys, of that city, and only escaped a beat by a microscopic hair's-breadth. The day, although at first threatening rain, proved all that could be d sired—cool, with a dull, cloudy sky, that tempered the bright rays of old Sol, and made "everything lovely." The players were in first rate trim, with the exception of Spaulding (who had been sick the day previous), Stires and Geo. Wright, each of whom nursed a game leg. They batted well, Addy running for Stires and Geo. also putting in a substitute runner. A large crowd was in attendance, and toward the close of the day the excitement became intense. At the end of the first half of the last innings the Cincinnatis laid down their bats, with the score standing 16 to 8 in their favor. The Forest Citys then went in "for keeps," and quickly put in the requisite 8 tallies to make a tie, and then Barnes went to bat, with a man on the second and another on the third. The chances looked promising for another defeat of the Reds, and the excitement increased to fever heat. Barnes hit the first thing that came near him (although he might have safely struck and held his time), and his easy foul was taken and the game a tie at the end of the ninth innings. Darkness coming on, the game was, by unanimous consent, pronounced a draw.

First Innings.—Geo. Wright, after several fouls, sent a spiteful fly to centre field and Simmons gently took it in.—Geo. and Sam Wood struck to r f and Oneo captured him. Waterman struck a long one to right centre field and took his third. Hastings pocketed Allison's short foul bound and the side was out. No runs.——Addy struck to McVey at 1 f. Hastings sent a low liner to centre, making his first. Barnes hit to r f and sent Hastings home, taking his third bag. Simmons hit over second for his first and sent Barnes over the home plate. Foley sent Simmons to second and took first on close, low knock to centre. Stires knocked the ball (a dead one, by the way), to McVey, who muffed, and he took his first, forwarding Simmons and Foley each one base. Spalding, by a safe hit to field, brought both men home, sent Stires to second, and took his first. Doyle hit for his first, sending Spalding to second and Stires home. Cone hit a fly to Leonard, who passed the ball to G. Wright, and Geo. sent it to Sweasy, putting Spaulding out at second. Five runs.

2d. H. Wright hit low to right centre field and made his third. Leonard hit for first, bringing Harry in. "Andy" then stole second and took his third on an over-pitch, Brainard meanwhile popping up a gentle ball, which Foley took "just as easy." Sweasy took first on called balls, but was caught napping at second by a ball from Hastings. McVey popped and Foley popped him. 1 run.....Doyle fouled to Allison. Oneo took first on called balls. Addy took first and Oneo second on a daisy chopper to Geo. Wright, which arrived at first a little too late. Hastings hit to Waterman, who touched Cone and threw to first, retiring Hastings. No runs.

3d. Geo. took a fast one called ball; Gould tipped a foul to Hastings; Waterman sent Geo. to 2d and took 1st on a sharp daisy cutter through 2d base; Allison hit a slow rolling ball by Spaulding (whose nerve seemed for an instant gone, as he made no attempt to take the effort), and took his 1st, sending each man forward a base. H. Wright flew out to Simmons at centre, Geo. coming in. Leonard struck a long left field hit and took 2d, bringing Waterman and Allison home, then stole 3d, and came home on Brainard's hit for 2d. Sweasy fouled to Barnes. 4 runs.....Barnes got his first on a safe one to left field. Simmons popped out to G. Wright. Foley sent a long fly to Harry. Stires sent the ball up, Allison got under it and the side was out. No runs.

4th. McVey went to bat for Stires. Geo. Wright struck a safe one to r f, and took his 2d. Gould took a rest on three strikes. Geo. came in on a passed ball. Waterman was forced out at 2d by Allison. 1 run.....Spaulding struck at an easy catch to Waterman, and sat him down.

5th. Doyle took 1st on hit to 1 f. Cone hit to r f, and made 1st, Doyle taking 3d and coming home on Addy's hit for 2d. Cone tallied on a throw over 1st from 1 f. Hastings hit to Waterman and was finely thrown out at 1st, Addy taking 3d. Barnes sent a high fly to 1 f, and the side was out. Two runs.

6. Allison sent a low one to 1 f and took his first, then to 2d on Harry's hit by Barnes for his 1st. Hastings stopped an overpitch finely, but while recovering it Allison and Harry each took a base and both came in on Leonard's tremendous hit over centre, Addy taking his 3d and coming in on Brainard's hit for 1st. McVey hit a grounder to Foley, who threw to Barnes at 3d and Brainard was out. Barnes passed the ball to 1st and McVey was out. Foley's stop and the double play were splendidly executed. 3 runs.....Simmons fouled to Allison. Foley, ditto. Stires was thrown out at 1st from 3d. No runs.

6. Barnes took pitcher's position at this stage of the game, Spaulding centre field, Addy short stop and Sim: one second base. George Wright was thrown out at first from short stop. Gould popped up and was caught. Inconsistency is a jewel. Waterman got his 2d on a hit to field. Allison flew out to Addy. No runs.....Spaulding hit a low one just inside the foul line and got his first, and went to 3d on Doyle's daisy clipper to c f for his first. Cone hit to Gould, who dropped the ball, and before he could recover it each man had taken a base. Addy hit for his 1st, forcing Cone out at 2d. Doyle took 3d. Hastings hit to Geo. Wright, who sent it to Sweasy, and he forwarded it to 1st, and both men were out. 2 runs. 3 outs.

7. Harry flew out to second; Leonard made his first on a mower and reaper through short stop, and stole second and then took his third, while Simmons threw Brainard out at first. Sweasy brought Leonard home and took his first on a clipper through the pitcher, and then to second on McVey's hit for first. George then took the stick and, smiling sweetly, sent the ball out into the right centre field, bringing both men home and taking his third sawdust receptacle, from whence he came in on an over-pitch. Gould, after waiting indifferently, took his first on called balls. Waterman was thrown out at first by Foley. 4 runs.....Barnes took his first on called balls, and then went to second on Simmons' knock through third for his first. Foley fouled out to Leonard. The same player took Stire's fly. Spaulding struck to Geo. Wright, forcing Simmons at second. No runs.

8. The Forest Citys resumed their regular positions at the commencement of this innings. Allison's foul bound was taken by Hastings; H. Wright hit to Barnes, who failed to stop the ball, and Harry accepted his first; Leonard raised one for Doyle, and Brainard sent one up to keep Barnes in practice. No batting, which they seem to consider the very acme of skilful batting, forgetting that it is a style peculiar to the muffin fraternity. Any club nine can lunge out at the ball and hit it hard, and probably make bases on hits, but it does not necessarily follow that therefore they bat skilfully, for such batting is chance hitting, as the ball is just as likely to go direct to a fielder as it is to go out of his reach, the batsman having no idea in aiming at his ball beyond that of hitting it as hard as he can. Now a lively rubber ball admits of this style of batting, and hence it is a favorite with all inferior batsmen who are heavy hitters. But a dead ball obliges the batsmen to use judgment and skill in order to send it to the field out of the reach of infielders, and as this is a science only very few club nines possess, of course inferior batsmen are opposed to a dead ball. This game was a sample of the class of contests in which on the one side are to be found unpractised players, who play ball only for the exercise derived from it, and on the other, a nine who aim for a reputation as the leading club nine of their class. To give the details of such a game is to record a wearisome succession of heavy hits, with plenty of errors in the field. We therefore merely give the score.

Star.	o.	r.	1st.	v.
Rogers, c.....	2	4	3	7
Orell, 1 f.....	2	4	4	7
Dollard, s s.....	1	5	4	4
Clyne, r f.....	4	2	5	8
Cummings, p.....	3	2	2	2
Hannan, 3d b.....	2	3	3	3
Worth, c f.....	0	3	3	3
Packer, 1st b.....	4	2	3	3
MacDiarmid, 2d b	0	5	6	13
Total.....	16	30	31	47

Innings.	1st	2d	3d	4th	5th	6th	7th	8th	9th
Chelsea.....	1	0	1	0	0	1	3	0	2—7
Silver Star.....	0	0	2	0	0	0	1	1	0—4

Fly-catches—Chelsea, 10; Silver Star, 14. Umpire—Mr. Samson, of the Warren Club. Scorers—Messrs. Byrne and Smith. Time of game—Two hours and fifteen minutes.

ALPHA, OF BROOKLYN, vs. BUCKSKIN, OF GLOVERSVILLE.

The Alphas took a 4th of July trip to Gloversville, N. Y., "just to have a little practice game, you know," with a country club, but finding the villagers stronger than expected they left the ball behind them. We give the score of outs and runs:—

Buckskin.	o.	r.	Alphas.	o.	r.
Leavenworth, 2d b.....	3	4	Stark, 1st b.....	1	4
McKnight, 1st b.....	4	3	Remson, c f.....	1	5
Cotton, r f.....	4	3	Crane, 3d b.....	4	1
McDonald, p.....	3	3	Moody, c.....	3	1
Hurley, c.....	5	4	Frederick, r f.....	4	0
Lowe, s s.....	5	5	Hall, s s.....	2	0
Rowan, 1 f.....	3	2	Hillyer, p.....	1	0
Nutt, c f.....	5	4	Valentine, 1 f.....	5	0
Greene, 3d b.....	2	6	Howard, 3d b.....	4	1
Total.....	39	34	Total.....	25	12

Innings.	1st	2d	3d	4th	5th	6th	7th	8th	9th
Buckskin.....	1	3	5	3	1	4	10	6	1—34
Alphas.....	0	1	0	2	2	0	2	5	0—12

KING PHILIP vs. EUREKA.

An interesting game was played on Boston Common, July 18th, between the King Philips and Eurekas, which was won by the former by a score of 35 to 24. Owing to the absence of Wm. Gleason, pitcher of the King Philip, the game was not as good as they expected, though the playing on both sides was excellent, especially that of Ward Gleason, short stop. He made several handsome balls; one was knocked straight from the striker—a red hot—which he had to jump for, and nabbed it with one hand, amid great applause. Wilson, left field, was very fine, he taking a sky scraper in one hand that he had to run a great distance for. Bennett was very good at first base, putting out thirteen men. The great feature of the game was the batting, which was very heavy on both sides. Below is the score:—

King Philip.	o.	r.	Eureka.	o.	r.
Bowdwin, 1st b.....	2	4	H. Middleby, 2d b.....	3	3
Masse, r f.....	6	2	Short, p.....	2	3
Wilson, l f.....	7	7	Pierce, s s.....	5	2
W. Gleason, s s.....	1	6	Crane, 2d b.....	3	3
Bennett, 1st b.....	3	4	Spring, r f.....	3	3
Perkins, c.....	4	5	Hauber, c f.....	3	2
McPhilips, 3d b.....	3	2	Kell y, l f.....	3	2
Lavers, p.....	2	1	Sawyer, 1st b.....	4	2
Davis, c f.....	5	2	J. Middleby, c.....	3	3
Total.....	35	34	Total.....	34	

Innings.	1st	2d	3d	4th	5th	6th	7th	8th	9th
King Philip.....	4	6	7	1	1	3	4	6	3—35
Eureka.....	5	5	7	5	0	0	1	1	0—24

Umpire—H. Jackson; Thornton B. B. C. Scorers—F. H. McKelvey and J. W. Robinson. Time of game—Two hours.

SILVER STAR vs. CHELSEA.

The Silver Stars, of this city, and the Chelseas, of Williamsburgh, played a game at Hunter's Point on July 12th, which resulted in favor of the Silver Star Club. The score:—

Silver Star.	o.	r.	Chelsea.	o.	r.
Kessler, 1st b.....	2	3	Marsh, s s.....	3	1
Potter, c f.....	2	3	West, 2d b.....	4	1
Crane, c.....	3	4	Monrose, r f.....	3	0
Bowers, r f.....	5	0	McKinney, 3d b.....	5	0
Lepoint, p.....	2	3	Horrigan, c.....	3	1
Donohoe, s s.....	4	2	Ducharme, c f.....	3	1
McDowell, 1f.....	2	2	Mcdermott, p.....	3	1
Reipschlager, 2d b.....	1	2	Dehlman, 1st b.....	2	1
Seward, 3d b.....	4	1	Cassidy, l f.....	4	0
Total.....	25	20	Total.....	30	7

Innings.	1st	2d	3d	4th	5th	6th	7th	8th	9th
Chelsea.....	1	0	1	0	0	1	3	0	2—7
Silver Star.....	0	0	2	0	0	0	1	1	0—4

Fly-catches—Chelsea, 10; Silver Star, 14. Umpire—Mr. Samson, of the Warren Club. Scorers—Messrs. Byrne and Smith. Time of game—Two hours and fifteen minutes.

ENTERPRISE vs. ATHLETIC.

The above clubs played the first game of a series with a lively call, on Friday, July 8th, on the Capitoline ground, and after a long and tedious game of over three hours resulted in favor of the Enterprise. We append the score:—

Enterprise.	o.	r.	Athletic.	o.	r.
Callahan, s s.....	5	2	Wiggins, c f.....	3	5
Greaney, 1 f.....	5	3	Moran, 3d b.....	4	3
Williamson, c.....	4	3	Noonan, c.....	3	3
Brady, 3d b.....	3	3	Booth, 2d b.....	3	3
Palmer, 1st b.....	3	6	Richardson, 1st b.....	1	4
Campbell, r f.....	3	3	Bennett, s s.....	4	3
Norton, 2d b.....	4	3	Seiffer, r f.....	4	2
Richard, p.....	3	3	Cook, 1 f.....	3	2
Winne, c f.....	3	3	Saylor, p.....	4	2
Total.....	36	32	Total.....	34	27

Innings.	1st	2d	3d	4th	5th	6th	7th	8th	9th
Enterprise.....	7	4	1	1	2	1	1	3	1—36
Athletic.....	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1—27

Umpire—Mr. Jos. Bowers, Union Club, Brooklyn, L. I.

The Athletics would like to get on a series of games with the Resolute Club, of Elizabeth, N. J. Their Secretary's address is Jas. L. McNulty, Cor. Secretary, E. B. B. C., 160 Cranberry street, Brooklyn, L. I.

THE MUTUAL CLUB, of Greenville, Ct., held their regular meeting on July 4th, when the following officers were chosen for the year ensuing:—President, Chas. H. Tubbs; Vice President, David Mountaire; Secretary, H. C. Greene; Treasurer, Alva Crawley.

WHITE STOCKINGS.

On July 13th the White Stockings played their last game in Philadelphia, the West Philadelphia nine being their opponents. Cuthbert played finely in left field, taking no less than six fly catches, and Craver, notwithstanding that he had a very sore hand, caught splendidly. For the West Philadelphia, Warbrick as catcher and left field, Weaver as centre field and Able as short stop, deserve especial mention. The following was the score:—

White Stockings.	o.	r.	West Philadelphia.	o.	r.
McAtee, 1st b.....	5	3	Able, s s.....	5	1
Hodes, s s.....	2	3	Geasey, 1st b.....	3	1
Wood, 2d b.....	3	2	Clinton, 2d b.....	3	1
Cuthbert, l f.....	4	2	Weaver, c f.....	4	1
Flynn, c f.....	1	3	Barford, 3d b.....	4	0
Tracey, r f.....	3	1	McLean, r f.....	2	2
Meyers, c.....	3	1	Reilly, c.....	3	2
Craver, c.....	4	1	Lorrett, p.....	3	1
Pinkham, 3d b.....	3	1	Warbrick, c.....	3	1
Totals.....	27	18	Totals.....	27	9

Innings.	1st	2d	3d	4th	5th	6th	7th	8th	9th
White Stockings.....	0	0	4	4	3	0	3	2	2—18
West Philadelphia.....	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	5	3—9

Umpire—Frederick Richards, Olympic Base Ball Club.
Time of game—2 hours 15 minutes.

ATLANTIC vs. ALPHA.

The first match between the amateur Alpha and the champion Atlantic this season took place July 11th on the Capitoline grounds. We give the score:—

Alpha.	o.	r.	Atlantic.	o.	r.
Fredericks, r f.....	3	0	1	4	0	Pearce, c.....	3	1	3	4	4
Ramsen, c f.....	3	0	1	3	1	Smith, 3d b.....	4	1	1	4	1
Crane, 3d b.....	3	1	1	3	2	Start, 1st b.....	3	2	1	9	0
Moody, c.....	3	1	1	7	1	Chapman, l f.....	3	2	3	3	0
Landsdell, 1st b.....	3	1	1	9	0	Boyd, s s.....	3	2	3	1	2
Hall, 3d b.....	3	1	0	1	0	Bellinis, p.....	4	3	3	1	0
Hillyer, p.....	3	0	0	0	0	Hall, c f.....	4	3	3	2	0
Taylor, s s.....	3	0	1	1	5	Pike, 3d b.....	4	3	1	1	5
						McDonald, r f.....	3	2	3	2	0
Totals.....	27	4	7	9	7	Totals.....	37	21	15	36	17

Innings.	1st	2d	3d	4th	5th	6th	7th	8th	9th
Alpha.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4—4
Atlantic.....	3	1	0	2	1	1	1	2	9—21

Umpire—Mr. R. Ferguson, Atlantic Club. Time of Game—One hour and twenty minutes.

ATHLETIC, OF BROOKLYN, vs. ECKFORD.

The contest between these clubs, played on the Union ground, July 12th, resulted as follows:—

Athletics.	o.	r.	Eckfords.	o.	r.
Wiggins, c f.....	3	0	1	1	A. Allison, 1st b.....	1	5	4	5
Proctor, 3d b.....	1	1	3	4	J. Grum, c f.....	4	2	1	3
Noonan, s s.....	2	2	2	2	Duffy, 3d b.....	2	2	0	1
Booth, 2d b.....	3	2	2	2	W. Allison, 2d b.....	4	1	1	1
Ireland, r f.....	3	1	1	1	McDermott, p.....	4	0	0	0
Start, 1st b.....	3	1	1	9	Grum, s s.....	4	1	2	1
Richardson, p.....	4	1	1	1	Snyder, r f.....	4	1	1	0
Cook, l f.....	3	1	1	1	Beach, c.....	3	1	1	8
Nayler, 1st b.....	3	1	1	6	Corrvan, l f.....	3	1	0	0
Totals.....	27	13	14	15	Totals.....	27	16	11	19

Innings.	1st	2d	3d	4th	5th	6th	7th	8th	9th
Athletics.....	3	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	9—13
Eckfords.....	0	3	0	1	2	2	2	4	0—16

Umpire—Mr. Clayton, of the Eckford Club.
The Eckfords, thinking they would have an easy time, did not present their full strength, and the result was they had to work hard to win.

ATHLETIC vs. KEYSTONE.

These clubs played, July 14th, on the grounds at Seventeenth street and Columbia avenue, Philadelphia, the first of a second series of match games. The fielding was at times quite sharp, and the general play good. The score of the game is as follows:—

Keystone.	o.	r.	Athletic.	o.	r.
Fulmer, p.....	2	3	Reach, 2d b.....	4	3
Conner, l f.....	4	2	McBride, p.....	3	3
Halbach, s s.....	3	2	Berry, 1 f.....	4	3
Warren, 1st b.....	3	1	Meyerle, 1st b.....	5	3
Johnson, c.....	3	2	Sensenderfer, c f.....	4	1
Woods, c f.....	3	3	Schafer, c.....	5	3
Sharkey, 3d b.....	3	3	Radcliffe, s s.....	3	3
"Lawe," 2d b.....	3	2	Beasley, r f.....	5	2
Condon, r f.....	5	0	Pratt, 3d b.....	3	3
Total.....	33	19	Total.....	40	30

Innings.	1st	2d	3d	4th	5th	6th	7th	8th	9th
Keystone.....	3	0	1	2	2	1	5	0	6—19
Athletic.....	4	3	0	3	2	4	3	4	6—30

Umpire—A. J. McCleary, Reporters' Club. Time of game—Two hours and forty five minutes.

EQUITY vs. ECKFORD.

On July 15th a nine composed of employes of the Bowery Theatre, called the Equity nine, played a game with the Eckfords, with the appended result:—

Eckford.	o.	r.	P.O.	a.	Equity.	o.	r.	P.O.	a.
A. Allison, 1st b.....	3	7	6	1	Goodridge, 1st b.....	3	1	9	2
J. Grum, c f.....	6	0	0	0	Dooley, p.....	5	0	3	5
Duffy, 3d b.....	2	0	4	0	Lynch, 2d b.....	2	2	0	1
W. Allison, 2d b.....	3	3	3	4	Connelly, c f.....	4	2	2	3
McDermot, p.....	5	6	3	0	Moore, c.....	3	1	8	1
O. Grum, s s.....	4	2	1	3	Kavanagh, 3d b.....	3	1	1	1
Jim Snyder, c.....	3	8	9	0	Young, s s.....	3	0	1	2
Beach, r f.....	1	10	0	0	Masnor, l f.....	1	3	0	1
Conigham, l f.....	2	7	1	0	Hofele, r f.....	2	1	3	1
Total.....	27	60	27	6	Totals.....	27	13	27	13

Innings.	1st	2d	3d	4th	5th	6th	7th	8th	9th
Eckfords.....	4	8	2	14	6	10	16	1	8—69
Equity.....	1	0	1	0	3	4	5	0	0—13

Umpire—Mr. Manoll, of the Oriental Club.

ALPHA vs. EXCELSIOR.

The Alphas played a lively ball game with the Excelsiors on July 13th, on the Capitoline grounds, and the result was they were beaten at their own little game. We give the score without further comment:—

Excelsior.	o.	r.	1.	v.	Alpha.	o.	r.	1.	v.
Thompson, 3d b.....	3	4	1	1	Frederick, 3d b.....	4	3	2	4
G. Chauncey, 2d b.....	4	3	3	4	Remsen, c f.....	3	2	2	4
Dobman, s s.....	5	1	1	1	Howard, 1st b.....	5	2	1	1
Frank, 1st b.....	3	2	2	2	Moody, c.....	1	4	0	0
Lockett, r f.....	3	2	2	1	Hall, s s.....	4	2	2	3
D. Chauncey, l f.....	4	3	3	1	Taylor, 2d b.....	3	3	3	4
Pell, c f.....	2	3	3	3	Valentine, l f.....	5	0	1	1
Miller, c.....	4	3	3	1	Abbott, r f.....	4	0	1	0
Peters, p.....	3	3	3	3	Hillyer, p.....	3	1	2	2
Totals.....	37	23	24	17	Totals.....	37	18	15	23

Innings.	1st	2d	3d	4th	5th	6th	7th	8th	9th
Excelsior.....	0	1	0	1	0	2	3	1	1—13
Alpha.....	0	2	3	6	0	0	1	0	1—13

Umpire—Mr. Tilton, Athletic Base Ball Club.

THE STATUS OF THE CHICAGO CLUB.—Previous to an interview we had with Mr. Phelps, the manager of the Chicago nine, and Jas. Woods, the Captain, on our way up to Fremont, on Friday, the 8th inst., we were under the impression that the Chicago club was an outside organization, that is, not an Association club. These gentlemen, however, informed us on the day in question that through the efforts of the Chicago club the Illinois State Association had been re-organized, and that that Association had applied last month for probationary membership of the National Association. This being so the Chicago club rate as a association club from the date of the application of their State association being filed by the Secretary of the National Association:—Section 5 of article third of the Constitution of the National Association states, that "Any State Association, organized after the adjournment of the annual meeting of this Association (the N. A.) may be elected probationary members thereof, after conforming to the requirements of sections 2, 3 and 4 of this article." (Art. III) As the sections in question merely refer to the fact that the application must be made thirty days prior to the convention, and must contain names and number of clubs belonging to the State Association, &c. All State Associations now in existence, who are not now in the National Association, should at once apply to Mr. C. C. Coon, Treasury Department, Washington, for probationary membership.

THE FLOWER CITY CLUB.—A correspondent writes thus from Rochester, N. Y.:—"The Flower City Club, of this place, have just decided a new uniform. The stockings are to be of bright scarlet color, the breeches of white flannel, with a scarlet stripe, the shirt of white flannel, faced with scarlet, and the cap of white flannel, trimmed with scarlet. They have just effected arrangements for getting an inclosed ground, and it is hoped that hereafter no first class club will go through Rochester without giving them a trial of comparative strength. The small receipts of previous games here will become large incomes after this, and no club need fear that the inducements and traveling expenses hither will not be more than reimbursed. Any communication on the subject may be addressed to Charles A. Brady, Secretary; or J. R. Campbell, Treasurer."

THE PUTNAM CLUB, OF TROY.—This crack junior club—so-called junior because they are not in the senior association and not because they are boys—are anxious to try their skill against the strongest of our amateur as well as junior clubs, not even excluding the Stars. Here is what they have to say:—

TROY, N. Y., July 8, 1870.

The Putnam Base Ball Club, of Troy, challenges all junior or amateur base ball clubs to play them a series of match games. They play on an inclosed ground, and forty per cent. (40 per cent.) of the gate money will be put up to all clubs accepting this challenge. All communications addressed to S. W. Pearson, Troy, N. Y., will receive prompt attention. The Putnams would like to hear from the Alphas, of Brooklyn; Warren, Montauks, Fly Aways, Dexters, of N. Y., and, in fact, from any junior or amateur club in the country. No one excepted and the Stars included.

EUGENE LEVI, Secretary of the Bluff City Club, of Memphis, Tenn., writes to us, saying that the assertion made by J. F. Farrel, that the Nashville Club are champions of that state, is incorrect, as the D. C's. have had a standing challenge to play any club in the Commonwealth for some time, and that they have beaten every club with which they have played in that state. They have challenged the Nashvilles to play them for the championship to decide the question.

THE BLUE RIBBONS, whose headquarters are in the upper region of the Fourteenth Ward of this city, intend organizing a base ball club, and wish to engage a few first class players. The president, John Lynch, Esq., has the merit of being a hard worker in making the Blue Ribbons a first class social party, as their late well attended pic-nic and excursion proved. The NEW YORK CLIPPER has become their recognized sporting medium and can now be seen at all times on the files at their rooms, says their efficient secretary, J. A. Leonard.

THE JUMPING CHAMPIONSHIP.—The sporting public are manifesting much interest in the match between Way and Searles for the championship, one single standing jump, spirit level, each man to have ten trials, which is to be decided at Binghamton, N. Y., on the 8th of the present month. This unusual interest is attributable to the fact that the latter, in his recent contest with Hill, cleared the greatest distance in public on record, viz.:—12 feet 10¼ inches, two inches more than Way's previous unequaled jump. It was evident, too, that had there been any necessity for it, he could have accomplished a still greater distance, and this, combined with the fact of the champion tackling him in the race at such high figures naturally leads the public to expect great things in the present match, and 'tis confidently expected that thirteen feet will be covered when they meet. Each man has plenty of good friends, who will stake heavily upon their favorites, and consequently stacks of money are expected to change owners on the issue. With a view to getting themselves thoroughly fit both men have entered upon a course of physical preparation, Searle at Sing Sing, with Harry Ryan as attendant, and Way at Binghamton. The next and final deposit of $125 a side has to be planked with the stakeholder, Fred Foote, on the 20th inst. A large delegation from New York, Albany, Buffalo and other cities are expected to attend.

A FIREMEN'S TOURNAMENT took place at Bloomington, Ill., on July 4th. There were present the following companies:—Prairie Bird, No. 1, and Young America, of Bloomington; Tornado, of Galesburg; Water Witch and Neptune, of Quincy; engine competition No. 3 and 4, of Peoria. The procession (it was formed as about 12 A. M., and, after marching around for about an hour, the tournament commenced, lasting until about 5 o'clock P. M. The prizes were awarded as follows:—First prize (steamer), No. 3, Peoria; water thrown 214 feet. First prize (hand engine), divided between Prairie Bird and Water Witch, the former throwing 205½ feet and the latter 196½ feet. The second prize (hand engine) was awarded the Tornado, of Galesburg. The Water Witch, of Quincy, took the first prize for running with two wheeled carriage. In the evening there was three grand balls, to which the firemen were freely welcomed, and where many of them spent a few happy hours.

CRICKET.

NEW HAVEN vs. MERIDEN.

The above Cricket clubs met at Hamilton Park, New Haven, Ct., on July 11th, and tested their abilities with the willow. The game commenced at 11 o'clock A. M., and the stumps were drawn at half-past six P. M., the match terminating in favor of the representatives of the City of Elms. It was a very good display of cricket, the fielding especially being excellent, and it is evident that with practice and unity of action the Nutmeg State will be able to place a good team in the field. We subjoin the score:—

First Innings.	New Haven.	Second Innings.
Want b Brampton.....	12	b Brampton..... 3
Bowers c Furnis b Fletcher.....	8	run out..... 3
Miller run out.....	0	c Furnis b Fletcher..... 3
Young b Brampton.....	0	b Furnis..... 20
Yoxall c Furnis b Fletcher.....	0	b Bunnan..... 1
Connell c Furnis b Bunnan.....	21	c Furnis b Brampton..... 15
Spence c Furnis b Brampton.....	2	c Fletcher b Furnis..... 23
Beabell b Brampton.....	0	run out..... 3
Thomas c and b Brampton.....	2	not out..... 3
Horton not out.....	1	b Bunnan..... 1
Riley b Bunnan.....	0	b McLaurin b Bunnan..... 0
Byes, 4; leg bye, 1; wides, 6.....	11	Byes, 2; wides, 3..... 5
Total.....	58	Total..... 80

MERIDEN.—First Innings.

T. Furnis c Want b Yoxall.....	0
H Furnis b Yoxall.....	4
Bunnan run out.....	8
Fletcher b Spence.....	3
McLaurin b Yoxall.....	0
West b Spence.....	2
Hinsdill† b Spence.....	0
Hill, not out.....	9
Graham b Spence.....	0
Williams b Spence.....	0
Brampton b Spence.....	13
Byes, 10; l b, 3; wides, 3.....	15
Total.....	46

In their second innings the Meridens scored: T. Furnis (not out) 13; H. Furnis (not out), 10; Hill, 2; total, 28.

NEW YORK vs. ST. GEORGE.

THE FIRST MATCH OF THE ANNUAL SERIES FOR 1870.

ST. GEORGE THE VICTORS BY TWO WICKETS.

Among the local cricketing events of the season each year none have exceeded in interest the contests between these old rivals for the palm of supremacy. For twenty-five years have they entered the field against each other, nearly in successive seasons, the St. George Club first giving the "Young New York Club" some lessons, the "youngsters," as usual, paying the cost of sundry defeats, until, at last, the master club had to succumb, and New York held the reins. In 1867 there was an interruption in the annual series, and from the day these clubs ceased their friendly strife may be dated the decline of cricket in this vicinity. Since they wisely forgot old sores and differences, and again resumed their annual series of games, there has been a renewal of interest, and we hope by next season both clubs will have arranged things so as to secure to the cricketers of the metropolis a permanent cricket field within easy reach of the city, as the ground at Hoboken now is, in which case cricket will again flourish as in the good old days some fifteen years ago. As a matter of reference and of interest to old cricketers, we give the score of the first match ever played by the New York and St. George clubs, the "Young New Yorkers," as they were then called, entering the lists against the veterans of St. George, on Sept. 16, 1846, on the St. George grounds, Harlem.

St. George.	New York.
Bates c Mott b Cuppaidge.....	21
Waller run out.....	41
Green b Clark.....	16
Wheatcroft c Elliot b Clark.....	0
Wild b w b Cuppaidge.....	9
Eyre b Clark.....	6
Bage b Cuppaidge.....	12
Salter b Clark.....	8
Gardner c Mott b East.....	6
Edwards run out.....	18
Shippon not out.....	6
Byes, 33; wides, 2; no balls, 3.....	38
Total.....	172

New York.	Second Innings.
Mott b Wheatcroft.....	7
Auchinbeck b Edwards.....	3
Cuppaidge c and b Wheatcroft.....	0
Wheatcroft c and b Wheatcroft.....

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LADIES' LIST.

Augusta, Mlle. (2)
Avery, Carrie
Bowers, Agnes
Berrell, Mary L.
Bushell, Ada (2)
Bushell, Louise
Booth, Josie
Brook, Kate
Donnelly, Mrs. P. E.
Cook, Mrs. J.
Cornforth, Annie
Cook, Irene
Clifton, Viola
Dulin, Mlle.
DeLamond, Cary
Forsberge, Emma R. (2)
Fisher, Kate
Gilbert, Cecila
Geraldine, Mlle.
Grattan, Miss
Hall, Edith
Harmon Dollie
Irma, Mlle.
Londerback, Lizzie
LeFerre, A.
Lawrence, Mrs. (2)
Lang, Iona
Lesh, Mlle.
MacEvoy, Kate
Mozart Sisters (2)
O'Neil, Hattie
Preston, Isabella
Partington, Kate
Pierson, Fannie
Robinson, Augusta (2)
Robinson, Julia (2)
Ronzati, Conchita
Russell, Mrs. C. G.
Raymond, Kate (2)
Rosalie Sisters.
Reignolds, Kate
Skinner, Rita
Stowe, Fannie M.
Sharpe, Carrie
Trueman, Florence
Wells, Minnie (2)
Wray, Ada
Wallace, Mrs.
Weskermann, Bertha
Warren, Rosalie
Weston, Flora
Wiegel, Betty

GENTLEMEN'S LIST.

Ashton, Thos.
Ashcroft, Wm.
Bryce, A. (2)
Beasley, Jas. (2)
Byrne, Robert (2)
Barry, John
Bellamy, McKean
Ball, J. A.
Bailey, Jas.
Berry, Fred. A.
Benoit, Bob
Bolare, J. M.
Bellamy, T. W.
Bates, M. V.
Buckley, J. B.
Bidwell, Gustave
Brown, Geo. W.
Bell, Frank
Bidwell, Chas. H.
Bryant, J. H.
Bailey, Geo.
Baldwin, C. S.
Collins, O. B.
Carter, Bob
Canning, M. W.
Colville, Samuel
Clark, Wyndham
Charles, Geo. W.
Chase, O. C.
Campbell, Frank
Carroll, W. B.
Clinston, Chas.
Day, C. H.
Downes, J. Harry
Dalton, E. R.
Davies, H. Rees
Dobson & Villa,
DeWalden, T.
Davies, Harry
Dupret & Benedict,
Dunn, John
Dunnegan, H. F.
Dobson, Frank
Daly, Augustin
Dowland, Edwin
Draper, Harry W.
Dwyer, Wm.
Doulit, Willie
Emerson, Billy (2)
Edwards, Geo. H.
Fox, Geo. L.
Florence, Geo. A.
Franklin, W. B.
Frank, Sidney (2)
Foote, Com.
Frayne, Frank
French, C. M.
Foster, Wm. M.
Forbes, Chas.
Fowler, W. H.
Dampsey, Louis (2)
Gaston, Harry
Greenwald, Hy.
Griffith, J. R.
Griffith, E. F.
Hall, E. H.
Hadia, Lake
Howard, Chas. L.
Harrison, H. W.
Hogle, Wm.
Hoiston, Ari
Howard, Augustine
Hann n, Richard
Holland, Geo.
Howell, Tim
Herne, J. A.
Hart, John
Hethwell, Thos.
Harvey, Toney
Hall, Charles
Hill, J. Wesley
Hills, W. J.
Marrion, Mod
Jester, G. W.
Johnson, Jas. T.
Johnston, Robt.
Kurtz, Wm.
Kendall, Ned
Keyes, D. A.
Kerr, Adam
Lascelles, Fred.
Lawrence, Fred.
Lewis, C. N.
Lee, Jas. H.
Lemon, Bobby
Lee, Harry
Lathrop, Jas. L.
Lemingwell, Langdon, Thos. J.
Locke, Geo. E.
Lawrence, F. D.
Leonard, Jos. A.
Mortimer, Gus
Millson, Wm.
Metchear, W. J. (2)
McCarty, Chas.
Meldrum, R. S.
Morley, Ed.
Metkiff, Geo. T.
Milligan, Phillip
Merritt, J. G.
McBride, John
Morris, Miles
Murphy, Thomas
Mcduff, Wm.
Maas, James
Mack, Jas. W.
McCormick, Geo.
Murray, Dominick
Moody, Geo. F.
Marseilles, G. W.
Moyer, Millin
Nelcourt, Henri
Noyes, C. H.
Newcomb, Bobby
Neville, C. (2)
Navoni, J. M.
Nelson, J. C.
Olden, F. A.
O'Conner, M.
Orton, Miles
Phillips, Gus
Phelps, A.
Parmenter, H. E.
Phelps, Ralph
Pierce, J. H.
Percy, D. Albert
Reinhart, Samuel
Ralsey, T. T.
Rinaldo
Robinson, Boyd (2)
Rhodes, Dan (3)
Robinson, Yankee
Richardson, H. F.
Rostefler, Wm. J.
Rockefeller,
Romelli, Eugene
Reynolds, Wm. S.
Salsbury, Nelson W.
Shiff & Gaylord,
Stuart, Frank G.
Smith, Fred. H. W. (2)
Sweatnam, Wm. P. Sc
Shelley, Jno. F.
Seaman, F. H.
Shelley, Chas. E.
Stowe, Wm.
Schmidt, E.
Skiff, M.
Stowe, H. F.
Stewart, Jas. L.
Sherman, C. M.
Searey, L. W.
Simmons & Slocum,
Stuart, Patty
Touraine, Theodore
Templeton, John
Tate, Harry
Tooley, Larry
Taylor, J. L.
Tyler, James
Usher, Frank
Victorelli, Wm.
Wambold, D. S.
Wimpett, Thomas
Wallace, Wm.
Welles, L. C.
Wilcox, Harry
Watkins, Harry
Wheeler, Frank
Wood, Alf. Chas.
Wheelock, Jos. F.
West, Ned
Wilkes, Geo. W.
Wood, Jno. A.
Ward, Jas. M.
Wiggins, E. W.
Welch, Billy
Wallace, Jos. C.
Whitman, J. R.
Wing, Chas.
Yates, Ben.
Zanfretta, Frank
Zanfretta & Caron.

Introductory Overture.

MONDAY, July 18, 1870.

ALTHOUGH the metropolis is dull in the way of indoor amusements, we are not without an abundance of out-door recreations in the shape of pic-nics, fishing excursions, chowder parties and clam eating assemblies, to say nothing of open air concerts and festivals of various sorts, all of which tend to make things lively, and while away the summer heats with some degree of comfort and enjoyment. Of the many theatres which give life and pleasure to the city in the fall and winter months, there are now open only Wallack's, the Grand Opera House, Wood's Museum and the Bowery, in addition to the variety establishments of Tony Pastor and the Theatre Comique, the others being closed, although the interiors are now in the hands of workmen, undergoing that rejuvenation so necessary to a successful opening of a fresh campaign. Many companies have already been made up for the coming season, others are in the course of construction, and very soon the complement of each and every one will have been completed, the negotiations operating to the benefit of managers and the disadvantage of performers, salaries undergoing a material falling off as compared with those of former seasons. Managers, we believe, do not anticipate a very prosperous career in 1870-71, and this is why they are taking in a reef here and there, shortening their number of hands, and otherwise leaving open a means of retreat in case they find a successful advance impracticable. The people cannot see any sufficient reason for this anticipated panic, and claim that managers are merely resorting to this clever little "do" in order to give them a wider margin of profit. But there is no denying the fact that salaries are down, and will remain down for a little while, for the stock of performers in the market, it is thought, is rather in excess of the demand, the inflated state of theatrical stock for the past six or seven years having had the effect not only to add materially to our home production, but to create a brisk import trade.....Warm weather affects all people alike; it puts everybody in a fever, always excepting vendors of ice cream and cooling drinks. Even our housemaid is influenced by the dog star, and snaps at everybody is her way. We'll make a few rhymes about

OUR INDIGNANT HOUSEMAID.

We sought our couch to-day, but at the door
Heard in the room a growl like muttered thunder,
Deep, though not loud; and, peeping in, we saw
The housemaid there, then listened we with wonder.
We heard (now read her wrath in terms like these:
"About them chaps what live by writing verses,
People may say is me just what they please—
To them which cleans their rooms they're nasty curses.
"A room wass battered no one ever saw;
Here, scratched upon the table with a taper;
Pens, holders, rubbers, scattered o'er the floor,
And any quantity of bits of paper;
Here, too's, some rags on which he's wiped his pen,
To clean this hole is not at all delightful,
The litter made by hitter-ary men
About a place is absolutely frightful.

.....We went on an excursion lately with a party composed of many luscious looking girls and their beaux. Among the former was a lady of unusual height, but equally remarkable for her beauty. In a conversation among the gentlemen as to who was the belle on the excursion grounds, an Irish youth, who had been casting tender glances at the tall beauty, remarked, with warmth:—"The prettiest face on the ground is about *six feet above it!*" The youth was considerably *cowed* when he realized what a *bull* he had made of it.....Isn't it a little singular that the *work* of a fiddler is all *play?*.....We heard of a printing one day last week. A man who had been working in the sun became thoroughly saturated and dry at the same time. To quench his great thirst, the person indulged in numerous potations, until he became rather the worse for wear, and in this condition he was found by his bereaved wife, who easayed to escort him home. The drunken chap rolled along like a ship in a gale of wind, and the faithful wife, in making efforts to steady her liege lord, was thrown about as if by the drunken party himself. Suddenly the inebriate turned around to his clinging partner and said:—"Here, old gal, guess people'll *think we're tight!* Walk straight, will yer?" It was cheeky, wasn't it?.....'Our Jim" wants to know whether a man can be said to be taking a shingle off another man's roof if he calls for soda water with a *stick* in it.....Jim is right funny sometimes, if he *has* a *rent* in his upper story. The other day some of the members of a boat club, invited him to call up at a certain ship yard to see the new *boat* they were *building*. Says the wicked boy, in reply:—"I hain't got no time to go so fur, as I can see a *Clipper building* every day at the corner of Centre and Leonard."......A friend told us the following yarn, a few days ago, as we were taking a mutual dish of clam chowder down at Coney Island. Says he:—"During a late term of an up-river county court, a suit was being tried on a contract for the purchase and delivery of hogs. One of the inquisitive attorneys inquired of the witness on the stand:—'How *many* hogs had you ready for delivery at the time agreed upon?' The witness replied, very slowly:—'I should think about a hundred and fifty; but I can't tell, to a hog, the exact number.' There was a slight twinkle in his eye which indicated that he knew what he said, and the laughter of the court showed that it was appreciated."......Our brother-in-Dutch fighting and running reporter has a difficult time of it, now and then, in attempting to explain his meaning, when relating anything. The following will show you how he contrives to get around it:—

DER MIRAGLE.

I dried to oxblane of mine friendts, one day,
Vot de meaning of a miragle vas.
But dey all vas shdoosh about like a mules,
Vhen I listened like dot vas no use dis;
Ad last, in angriness, den I said—
I vas nail dot none could understand—
"You hafe shwallered a preshdeal often, no doubt!"
A answer of "sure!" come from der whole band.
"But dot is nading wonderful!"
A shmardy shpoke said voice sadrigal.
"Dot's so," I said, "but of dot shtuff I shwallered you,
Vhich I hafe dot vroof in my shtomagh."

.....Actors sometimes mistake their *forte*, and the result is much vexation. We once knew an actor who, in the possession of a rich Irish brogue, would persist in doing the sentimental. One night, in opposition to the expostulations of his friends, he essayed the character of Claude Melnotte for his benefit, and the result was that he made a complete burlesque of it, and brought down the house in shouts and uproarious laughter. Nothing abashed, our worthy boldly advanced to the footlights, and with a serious face and a voice intended to be tremulous with emotion he said:—"Ladies and jintlemen, *this* is a serious payrt. If ye want to laugh, wait till the fayrce—*I* play Paddy Molies'"

.....Our old friend, "The Man in the Flies," has come down from his lofty perch and thus unbosoms himself concerning certain matters which have come under his observation during the past season. Hear him:—

NOTES ONTO THE DRAMMY AND STAGE REALISM.

TO MISTER FRANK QUEEN, EDITOR CLIPPER.—SIR.—I Mistor Frank Queen, Editor Clipper.—Sir.—I
Notis with great satisfaction the enormse strides tords perfexshun egxhibited by our crittix larst sesin. They appere
To have got things down about to a spot, and can annalize
A Shakspear and human nater just as easy as rolling off a
log—each is the eckx of tallents and cuitwashn! To git
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theatre, Salt Lake City, where they pursue showing one week.

CARRIE AND CHARLIE ATKINS are now rusticating at Martha's Vineyard, Mass., and they advertise that they are prepared to entertain for the coming season.

PIZARRO, the gymnast, has been engaged by William Pizarro, to open at the Front Street Theatre, Baltimore, Md., on the 25th inst.

H. O'BRANNON, the performer on the tumblerconicon, opens at the Howard Athenæum, Boston, Aug. 22d.

G. NACHMAN opens Virginia Hall, Richmond, Va., early in September as a variety hall.

COOL BURGESS and his Ohio Troupe will perform in Port Hope, Canada, July 26th.

THE OPERA HOUSE at Petroleum Centre, Pa., continues to do a good business. Miss La Grange and Bobby Lane are the fresh attractions.

W. F. DENNICK has organized a variety troupe to travel. Among the company are Bob Smith, Ethiopian delineator; Harry Fox, balancing, songs and dances; Edward Rosele, violinist and vocalist; Alphonse Boncher and Alexander Damboya, French dancers.

LADIES in all branches of the profession are requested, through a card elsewhere, to apply for engagements at the Post Office Varieties, Reading, Pa.

C. HA. HARRISON, song and dance man and utility performer, advertises that he can be engaged.

TALENT is wanted for Smith's Opera House, East Saginaw, Mich.

THE PACIFIC GARDEN, Baltimore, Md., is now open under the management of G. Nachman. Lady vocalists, dancers and Ethiopian comedians are wanted for this office.

JUSTIN EDWARDS advertises that he can be engaged for burlesque and variety business.

GUS WILLIAMS, character vocalist, opens in Buffalo, N. Y., on Aug. 8th. He can be addressed care of this office.

FROM CINCINNATI our correspondent writes: "Base ball fever continues dull. A legitimate result of warm weather. The Race Street Theatre added three to the company on the 18th, viz., Mrs. and Mr. Fred McAvoy and Master Kearney. The McAvoys do little Irish sketches. Master Kearney has a sweet tenor voice for ballads and also does a song and dance. John and Maggie Fielding wind up their naughty engagement on the 24th and will appear next in Cleveland. Mr. Johnny McVeigh, comedian and song and dance performer, who reached town a few days ago, has been engaged to replace Fielding. Miss Addie Sprague is rapidly recovering and will probably be able to appear next week.....The performance in Hamilton, Ohio, on the 8th, by the McAvoys, Dierdorfs and Hen Mason, is reported to have been successful.....The Athenæum is again fallen into the hands of its former proprietor, Mr. John Ryan, and will reopen to-morrow evening, with Marsh Adams as stage manager, and a company consisting of Hen Mason, Johnny Wessner, Harry Wood, Nellie Anderson, Florence Wood, Kitty La Grange, and others.....Tim Woodruff, Lizzie Jackson, Ed Rainford, and others, are playing at the little up-town hall called the Brighton Varieties.....Lew Brimmer and Marsh Adams are organizing a small company for a tour of the Kansas fairs, to begin on the 27th inst.....At the Academy of Music there were two new appearances this week, viz., Miss Bonnie Emerson, a very pleasing vocalist, and Harry Devine, general comedian and buffoon. A genuine called "Lovers in a Fix" constitutes the wind-up.

THE BELLA UNION, San Francisco, Cal., since J. B. Howe has retired the helm as stage manager, is much improved and partly reconstructed. The female minstrel first part has been discarded, and the opening is now entirely in the hands of male performers, among whom are Tom Jackson, Johnny Collins, Mast Kelly, the Wonderful Bamford, Tommy Bree and Burdett's Byron. An olio of song and dance *ouillets*, and negro acts follow, where prominently appear Jennie Benson, Ada Byron and Young America. J. B. Howe is about introducing what he terms "Shakespearean Recitals;" the first of the series was to be given on the 9th, consisting of first and second scenes of the second act of "Richard III.," and the Witches' Chorus from the tragedy, sung by thirty voices.

AT THE PACIFIC THEATER, San Francisco, Lew Rattler and Johnny De Angelis, are the prime minstrel cards and Cherry Bell and Ida Wallace, sing and dance, act in farces, and, when necessary, become the Thompson and Markham of a troupe of blondes.

THE WEBER-LEAVITT TROUPE played in Union Hall, Johnstown, Pa., July 20 and 21st.

AT TAMMANY HALL, Bay City, Mich., W. R. McComb, formerly business manager, has become manager of this establishment. Kitty Leroy, Lon Chapin, Gilroy and Nellan, the latter two clog dancers, danced 58 minutes on July 11th, for the championship. Jimmy Rose and Charles Walters are in the company. Irma and Emma Donner open on the 18th. Lon Chapin is the stage manager.

THE OLD ELY STREET OPERA HOUSE in Rochester, N. Y., Opened July 16th, under the title of Wray's Theatre Comique. H. W. Eagan is the manager. Louise Wray, Ada Wray, Jennie Eagan, Josie Farran, Nellie Farran, Charles Benedict, Harry Payne and H. W. Eagan compose the company.

AGNES SUTHERLAND and R. V. Ferguson will constitute the fresh attraction at Wild's Varieties, Buffalo, N. Y., and will appear July 18th.

M. B. LEAVITT and Miss Hattie Forrest, on their return trip overland from San Francisco, Cal., had reached Corinne, Utah, on July 9th, where they gave two performances at the new Opera House on the 9th and 11th. From there they went to Ogden, 12th and 13th, and Salt Lake City 14th and 15th.

VARIETY TALENT is wanted for the Exchange Theatre, Indianapolis, Ind., now open under the management of Dan Shelby.

J. L. DAVIS, with his troupe of performing dogs, advertises that he can be engaged. He has severed connexion with the Tammany Hall, Bay City, Mich.

HARRY CAUSLAND, who styles himself the musical genius, is prepared to accept engagements. Address as per advertisement.

BEN. JOHNSON, Dutch song and dance man and banjoist, whose address is in another column, can be engaged for the coming season.

ELISE *Scott, premier danseuse*, pantomimist, etc., advertises that she is prepared to accept engagements.

THE ADELPHI THEATRE, the only place of amusement at present open in Washington, says our correspondent "Novice," who adds that "although the thermometer maintains a pretty high figure, business continues fair. The complimentary benefit tendered to Mr. James Porter, the stage manager, on the 11th inst., was a success, the hall being crowded. The novelty of introducing four end men in the first part took well, and that it will probably be adopted at the commencement of the fall season. The idea has been suggested to have the four end performers composed of two of each sex, and in order to make the novelty as attractive as possible, it may be done. The match song and dance which was participated in by Messrs. J. H. Cummings (Minnie Gray's husband), Larry Tooley, Frank Bell and Miss Alice Somers, was won by Mr. Cummings, and the prizes, a silver cup and a purse of twenty-five dollars (the latter an imaginary affair), were handed him by the *beneficiaire*, who at the same time returned thanks to the audience for complimenting him by attending the entertainment. One of the judges decided in favor of Miss Somers, but the matter being left to the referee, he decided that to Mr. Cummings belonged the victory. A movement is now on the *tapis* to give Harry Jones, the officer of the house, a benefit. A match clog dance will be one of the features, and a large audience will doubtless be in attendance. Although I was reliably informed last week that Miss Zoel would permanently retire from the company, she appeared on the 13th, after recovering from her *last indisposition*, and in the olio danced a clog and appeared in a song and dance. Alice Somers, already a great favorite, receives a liberal share of applause for her clog dancing, and also for her excellent manner of doing a song and dance."

THE WALHALLA TROUPE open at the Howard Athenæum, Boston, on August 8th. At the termination of this engagement they have been secured by Mr. Sanderson, of Baltimore, for one year.

KITTY O'NEIL opens at the Howard Athenæum, Boston, on August 8th, for four weeks.

Negro Minstrelsy.

MANNING'S MINSTRELS appeared at De Bar's Opera House, St. Louis, Mo., during the week ending July 16th, and are billed at Jacksonville, Ill., July 18th and 19th; Springfield, 20th and 21st; Quincy, 22d, 23d and 24th; Keokuk, Iowa, 25th; Galesburg, Ill., 26th; Peoria, 27th and 28th; Bloomington, 29th and 30th, commencing their fall and winter season at the Dearborn Street Opera House, Chicago, August 1st.

ELWOOD'S FEMALE MINSTRELS played in Taunton, Mass., July 9th, to a full house.

JAMES B. BARBER, of Mount Olivet, Kentucky, is anxious to hear from his two sons, who were traveling with Cal. Wagner's Minstrels, and requests, if this meets their eye, that they will come home.

E. M. HALL can be addressed care of this office.

PETER MARKS, harpist, late of Carncross and Dixey's Minstrels, advertises that he can be engaged for the coming season.

EMERSON'S MINSTRELS were at Davenport, Iowa, on the 18th inst., and went from thence to Rock Island.

MANNING'S MINSTRELS did a good business in Louisville, Ky., July 7th, 8th and 9th, we are informed. Manning and Cotton have the ends, with Kemble as middleman. "The Mutton Trial," by Mr. Manning, Hart, Cotton, Kemble and others, was received with merriment. The party left for St. Louis on the 10th. The Bryants opened on the 14th.

JOE GAYLORD, the general agent of Skiff and Gaylord's Minstrels, was married in Elmira, N. Y., July 12th, to Miss Lizzie Gray, of that city. "Not for Joseph"? Yes, dear, yes.

DUPREE AND BENEDICT'S MINSTRELS played at Music Hall, Milwaukee, Wis., July 8th and 9th.

A YOUNG MAN advertises that he desires to join a minstrel troupe.

DAN BRYANT'S MINSTRELS will play all this week at Pike's Music Hall, Cincinnati, where they opened on the evening of the 18th. Next week the Skiff and Gaylord party are to perform in the same city, at Wood's Theatre.....Chas. A. Morris is in Portspoolis. He and Lon are trying to secure a good location for a permanent minstrel hall.

KELLY AND LEON'S MINSTRELS are to visit Washington, D. C., at an early date, arrangements having been made therefor last week by Charles Melville, their agent.

JAMES H. ARMSTRONG, Ethiopian comedian and clogist, advertises that he can be engaged.

ALBERT GILBERT, *prima donna* and wench dancer, can be addressed care of his office.

Circuses.

TOM BARRY, clown and lyric jester, can be engaged for the season. Address as per advertisement.

J. M. FRENCH'S CIRCUS and Egyptian Caravan are traveling through Vermont, and are billed as follows:—Woodstock, July 21st, Bethel 22d, Northfield 23d.

J. M. FRENCH'S ORIENTAL CIRCUS AND EGYPTIAN CARAVAN will exhibit at Montpelier, Vermont, July 25th.

H. M. SMITH'S CRESCENT CITY TEXAS CIRCUS exhibited at Waco, Texas, July 11th; Masterville, 12th; Belton, 13th; Salado, 14th; Georgetown, 15th; Roundrock, 16th. The company consists of H. M. Smith, horseback rider; Mlle. Victoria, equestrienne; Pauline Robinson, Alfred Mace, Billy Carroll and Little Jim, clowns; Antonio Mondevrier, gymnast; Eugene Dupree, hurdle rider; Lotenz Medina, balancer; Master Frank, equestrian; Mlaco Brothers, gymnasts and acrobats; Charles Nelson, gymnast; Wm. Carroll, champion leaper and vaulter; The Grecian Brothers, Alfred, George, Charles and Frank, and Dan Clark, acrobats; William Wallace and J. McAdams in their feat entitled the "Bridge of Life."

THE EUROPEAN CIRCUS is still in Canada and will exhibit at Uxbridge, July 19th, and Newmarket 20th.

ELIZA MCKAY has been engaged for the coming season for the juvenile business, and W. H. Wilder for the leading heavy business at the Opera House, Louisville.

JAMES JOHNSON'S CIRCUS exhibited at Clinton, Mo., July 9th.

STOWE AND ORTON'S CIRCUS was recently in Clinton, Mo.

OLDEN'S CIRCUS, MUSEUM, AND MENAGERIE exhibits at Springfield, Ill., July 25th.

L. B. LENT'S NEW YORK CIRCUS is billed in Peoria, Ill., for July 25th, Pekin 26th, Havana 27th, and Bloomington 28th.

HEMMINGS, COOPER AND WHITBY'S Circus, is billed to appear in Quincy, Ill., July 23d and 24th.

CAMPBELL'S MENAGERIE AND CIRCUS exhibited at Urbana, O., July 13th.

DR. JAMES L. THAYER'S CIRCUS exhibited at Scranton, Pa., July 14th, Pittston 15th, and Wilkesbarre 16th.

THE AMERICAN BROS. Gymnasts, advertise that they can be engaged.

JOHN POSTER, clown, can be engaged, together with his family. Address as per advertisement.

ABOUT ANIMALS.—The new TAX and Tariff bill just passed by Congress says that "all animals brought into the United States, one quarter old, and for a period not exceeding six months, for the purpose of exhibition or competition for prizes offered by any agricultural or racing association, shall be admitted free of duty, upon bond being first given, in accordance with regulations to be prescribed by the Secretary of the Treasury, with the condition that the full duty hereinbefore imposed shall be paid in case of the sale of any such animals in the United States."

STRANGE AND UNACCOUNTABLE EVENTS are almost constantly transpiring among our various circus and menagerie exhibitions now traveling through the country. First we have the fearful story of a lion's head being "shaved up" by ravenous lions, this whose cage the musicians were dumped by circumstances over which they had no control. Then we hear of a five elephant, as wild and untutored as when first he left his native jungle, coming from his bride-awakening repast and tearing down trees, houses, women and children, and creating as great havoc as a first class spring freshet. Next the intelligence comes to us that a well-trained reptile, from his lofty perch, and in his full curve in a cage of ferocious animals, letting them out among the excited multitude, whom they devoured with as keen an appetite as a German exhibits when he attacks his five-layer cheese and brown bread—the lively corpse wielded vengeance without the least personal injury to repeat his extraordinary performance at the next stand. But these horrible affairs need create no alarm: they are emanations of the fertile imaginations of clever writers and go-ahead agents, who get up these nice little "does" as advertising gags, well knowing that an appreciative public has a taste for shaved up hands, destructive elephants and all that. We must confess to read of these fearful things while the summer campaign lasts.

G. G. GRAPT'S CIRCUS will exhibit at Marion, O., July 18th; Mount Gilead, 19th; Cardington, 20th; Fredericktown, 21st; Mount Vernon, 22d, and Delaware, 23d.

ADAM FOREPAUGH'S CIRCUS AND MENAGERIE will exhibit at Toledo, O., July 19th.

THE METROPOLITAN CIRCUS, which started from Crawfordsville last spring, closed its season July 9th owing to bad business.

THE NEW YORK CIRCUS will exhibit at Rock Island, Ill., July 22d.

THE NORTH AND SOUTH AMERICAN CIRCUS COMPANY had, on June 26th, given ten performances at Guayaquil with success, including two high rope ascensions by Mlle. Selina. Jack Hudson has a superb stud of horses, including the celebrated Arabian trick horse, Bucephalus, also two trick mules. The company will leave this place July 26th for Panama, thence to San Francisco. So writes our correspondent, "S. A. D."

VAN AMBURGH & CO.'S MENAGERIE AND SEMORIST'S FRENCH CIRCUS will appear at Milwaukee, Wis., July 21st, 22d and 23d.

GARDNER AND FOREPAUGH'S CIRCUS AND MENAGERIE are billed to appear in the following towns:—Hackettstown, N. J., July 16th; Newton, 20th; Dover, 21st; Boonton, 22d, and Paterson, 23d.

FOREPAUGH'S CIRCUS will exhibit at Cleveland, Ohio, West Side, July 27th; East Side, 28th.

J. J. JOHNSON'S AND CO.'S CIRCUS exhibited at Nevada City, Nev., July 13th, Monteveilo 14th, Stockton 16th, Greenfield 16th, and will be at Lamar 18th, Carthage 19th, Minersville 20th, Columbus, Kansas, 21st, Girard 22d.

H. M. SMITH'S CRESCENT CITY TEXAS CIRCUS exhibit at Austin, Texas, July 16th.

STONE AND MURRAY'S CIRCUS are billed to appear in Skowhegan, Me., July 22d, Waterville 23d, and Augusta 25th.

PROPERTY is advertised for sale by Cunningham & Simons, in another column.

Miscellaneous.

A YOUNG MAN is in need of a situation as ticket agent, treasurer, &c. Address as per advertisement.

COMMODORE FOOTE AND SISTER'S TROUPE exhibited July 11th at Schoolcraft, Mich.; Kalamazoo, 12th; Allegan, 13th; Byron, 14th; Berlin, 15th; Grand Haven, 16th; and Muskegon, 18th.

WALLACE AND WOOD, grotesque clowns, during the past week gave three drawing-room performances at the Clarendon and Pavilion Hotels, Long Branch, N. J.

SATSUMA'S ROYAL JAPANESE TROUPE commenced a season of four nights at the Music Hall, Milwaukee, on July 18th.

GRACE EGERTON—Mrs. George Case—and Mr. George Case gave a farewell entertainment at the Lyceum Theatre, Spring Garden, Halifax, N. S., on July 11th. They shortly return to England.

L. W. SEAVEY, scenic artist of this city, is busily engaged upon a panorama of Ireland, which will consist of twenty-four first class views. It is to be finished for the fall season. This artist has also just completed a new set of scenery for Washington Hall, Watertown, N. Y.

PROF. M. O'REARDON warns all parties from using the word tumblerconicon, which is copyrighted by him.

SOMERS & NESTOCK, theatrical shoemakers, No. 270 Bowery, N. Y., have dissolved partnership, and H. Nestrock will for the future conduct the business alone.

JOHN BOGAN, whose card find elsewhere, teaches jig and clog dancing and sells musical instruments.

A SIDE SHOW BLOWER is wanted by Major Burnell, of Pittsburgh.

THE DAVENPORT BROTHERS return to Bay City, Mich., July 22nd, for one exhibition, at the request of several citizens.

ED. E. BROWN is requested to address John Denier, care of this office.

Amateur.

THE ST. LOUIS AMATEUR-DRAMATIC ASSOCIATION gave their second entertainment last week at De Bar's Opera House, St. Louis, Mo., for the benefit of the "Confederate Dead Burial Fund." They played the "Merchant of Venice." Mr. A. B. Pearson as Shylock, Mr. Bouvier as Gratiano, Mr. Blakely as Bassanio, Mr. Congheim as Launcelot Gobbo, and Mr. J. W. Dutiss as Salarino; Miss Wilson made her first appearance as Portia, Miss Perkins as Jessica, and Miss Valle as Nerissa.

THE QUINCY DRAMATIC ASSOCIATION gave an entertainment at the Opera House, Quincy, July 12th, when they played "Fruits of the Wine Cask" and "Don Paddy de Bazan."

FOREIGN SHOW NEWS.

Dramatic.

OF LONDON, ENG., THEATRICAL AFFAIRS we have information as follows:—Benedix gave to the week ending July 2d, an appearance of animation wholly at variance with the weather and state of affairs. Previous to the 2d, when a comedy, "Uncle," was produced at the Olympic, no continuous change has taken place save at this theatre, wherein, with a completely altered cast, "Little Em'ly" has been revived. Benefit performances have taken place at the Gaiety, St. James', Lyceum, Molborn and some other theatres, and some performances of special merit have been given, "Pique and Passion" was played on June 29th, at the St. James', for the benefit of Miss Wyndham, who appeared as Desparata. The cast also included Mrs. Herman Vezin as Mme Fontagnes.....On the same evening the Messrs. Mansell, managers of the Lyceum, received a benefit, when the programme embraced "Breaking the Spell," the first act of "Chilperic," in which the umbrella dance was given; Mr. J. L. Toole in his monologue entertainment, consisting of the imitations of well known actors, and the performance concluded with "Little Faust."....On the same evening Miss Wyndham took a benefit at the Holborn, when the screen scene from the "School for Scandal" "A Happy Pair" and "Behind the Curtain," were played.....On the 2d, Mr. Burleigh, the lessee of the Holborn, took a benefit, playing Iago to the Othello of T. C. King.....At the Gaiety, on the 2d, Marie and Nelly Harris took a benefit.....At the Princess' Mlle. Schneider appeared during the week in "La Perichole."....No change has taken place at the Adelphi for the Vaudeville.....On June 30th "A Cure for Love" was revived at the Haymarket, in which Mr. Everill, from the Manchester, appeared as Trimmer, and met with a favorable reception. Mr. Robertson's comedy of "Home," "Blue Devils" and "Sandy Jane" were the other pieces.....At the Strand "Fish Out of Water" precedes "School for Coquettes" and "The Field of the Cloth of Gold."....At the Standard "Green Bushes" and "Not Such a Fool as he Looks" had been represented. On the 1st Mr. Byrne took his benefit.....At the Grecian the "Octoroon" has been revived, and Dan Leeson appeared as Old Pete. On June 30th Mr. Oliver took a benefit, when "Turpin's Ride to York" was one of the attractions....."Beat Lyons" has been continued at the Britannia, in which the excellent acting of Miss Henderson as Lady Isabel, and Master Manley, the little child actor from Australia, as Master Carlyle, has tended to make the piece a success. The old burlesque of "Midas" has followed, in which Miss Carry Nelson as Apollo received much approbation for her singing—"Love and Duty" was still the concluding piece. On June 29th Mr. Parry took his benefit, when "Money and Misery" and "One O'Clock" were produced.....At the East London, a large drama, with little pretension to originality, but in which several well developed scenes were introduced, was produced June 25th. Its title is "Truth Against the World," and its author, Mr. Spencer. The plot, or at least the principal portion of it, can easily be described. Alberto, a young and chivalrous knight, a second Ivanhoe, is about to marry the daughter of an Italian Duke, but his supposed brother, Francesco, who is in love with the lady and jealous of his brother's deeds and fame, and likewise his priority of birth, determines to have him put out of the way. Courageous as a lion, Alberto sends the myrmidons to the right about, and appears at the court of his father, who, it should be stated, is a state prisoner, under the Francesco, who, better to carry on his villainy, assumes a religious appearance, engages a desperado named Luigi, to despatch his brother, but fortune, or rather the water, favors the brave, for after the youth has been stabbed he is thrown into the river, and, notwithstanding the weight of his armor, is saved from drowning by a fisherman, in whose cottage he is secretly kept until he recovers. The fisherman's daughter, who lives near the water, is in reality the wife of Luigi, and the lady finding means to get introduced to the Duke's palace, discovers Francesco, and reveals to him the most unpleasant tidings that is by her son, having been substituted for the real Simon Pure which a very little child of a dutiful son, not liking his new-found mother, determines to have her put out of the way, and for a stipulated sum Luigi, who has not seen his better half for some time, and little dreaming she is the party to be disposed of, agrees to do the "nasty job." The sequel is easily guessed. The husband recognises his wife, Alberto is made acquainted with the perfidy of his supposed brother, and that worthy, just as he imagines he has got his father's crown in his possession, comes to grief. At the conclusion of one of the acts Luigi, who is beset with some rascals equally as bad as himself, turns the tables upon them by locking them in a stable just as they have fired it, in the hope of causing the death of others.....The drama of "Cham" was announced for production at the Grecian Theatre July 11th.....A summer season, yet called in London "Autumnal," was announced to commence on July 11th at the Haymarket, with Mrs. Scott Siddons, for six nights only. She was to first appear in the "Lady of Lyons."

MR. JAMES VINING died on Monday, June 27th, at his residence, 25 St. John's park, Highgate hill, in the seventy-fifth year of his age. Mr. James Vining, who was the father of Mr. George Vining, late lessee of the Princess' and now of the Adelphi Theatre, made his first appearance on the London stage at Covent Garden, October 5d, 1818, as Pyrhalt, in "Remus and Julius." When Madame Vestris, in 1831, took the Olympic, he was a prominent member of the company, and, as a light comedian, excelled in the impersonation of the lovers and fops introduced into the burlesias of that date. His last appearance was at the Lyceum, in 1860, when Madame Celeste became the lessee, and the dramatic version of the late Mr. Charles Dickens' "Tale of the Two Cities" was produced. For the last ten years Mr. James Vining has lived in comfortable retirement.

MR. SWANBOROUGH'S London Comedy and Burlesque Company appeared at Sunderland the week ending July 2d and performed "The Young Widow," "Married Daughters and Young Husbands," and the popular burlesques of "Ivanhoe" and "The Pilgrim of Love." Mr. Davis (the lessee), we understand, after re-decorating this establishment, will open for the regular season in August.

THE LAURI FAMILY arrived in England on June 25th, per the steamship Java, from New York.

MR. WYBERT REEVE, the favorite comedian of the Charing-cross Theatre, was to re-open the Theatre Royal, Scarborough, Saturday, July 23.

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The following are a few of the extracts selected from many hundreds published in the California journals:—

THE BRITISH BLONDES have been greatly encouraged and elated by the spectacle at Maguire's Opera House last evening. It was packed full in every part, and they were received with oft repeated and tumultuous applause. There was a lively distribution of encores, and such a profusion of bouquets that the recipients seemed several times at a loss to know what to do with them, and tossed the tributes about with a recklessness that was quite amusing. The costumes of the principal artists were very brilliant. The scenery was quite good, and the moon's descent with "Diana" was very fine, as was also the closing tableau.—San Francisco Evening Bulletin, June 17, 1870.

THE BRITISH BLONDE BURLESQUE TROUPE were received with all the honors last night, a theatre crowded to its capacity and no end of enthusiasm, bouquets, baskets of flowers and recalls. When the curtain raised on "Luna" there was a hum of expectation until the representative of the "Chaste Goddess" came on, and then a storm of applause for the new star, Miss Rose Massey. She is beautiful, of symmetrical figure and has a graceful carriage, with the most lovely golden tresses. She was accepted at once as a favorite. She is as beautiful as a picture when the flood of light is thrown on her at the back of the stage, and she knows how to choose a graceful and picturesque attitude to best display her beauty. Miss Eliza Weatherby (another handsome blonde) as Endymion shared in the applause and received the larger number of bouquets for her singing. She has a nice voice and sings well. Miss Ada Harland as Cupid attracted a good deal of attention by her dancing and singing. She has a pleasant face and grew in favor with each scene of the burlesque. Mr. Harry Beckett, the low comedian of the troupe, made an immense hit as Actæon, and especially in his singing of little local allusions in the A B C song. Mr. G. F. Ketchum as Pan was hardly less successful than Mr. Beckett.—Daily Alta California, San Francisco, June 17, 1870.

THE FIRST APPEARANCE OF THE BLONDE BRIGADE, last night, drew a house so crowded that there was scarcely room to breathe. In every part of the theatre a dense crowd of anxious expectants were packed in as tight as the seats could hold them. The performance commenced with the farce of "To Oblige Benson," in which Mr. Harry Beckett proved at once his claim to be considered a first rate comedian. There is no discount on that. It is so, and we can with pleasure record his complete success. Miss Eliza Weatherby also played Mrs. Southdown with much spirit, and maintained her position sure with the audience. "Luna" was produced, Miss Weatherby appearing as Endymion, Miss Rose Massey as Diana, Miss Ada Harland as Cupid and Mr. Beckett as Actæon. The first named lady is a pretty, plump and lively body, with an enjoue manner and a pleasant voice. Miss Massey is a tall, exquisitely formed girl, possessing limbs of the most perfect symmetry. Her "Love among the Roses" was vehemently encored. Miss Harland is a capital dancer and very graceful. The great success of the evening was the series of nonsensical verses sung by the above named artists, which were rendered four times, each time producing a new set of verses, from the apparently inexhaustible repertoire of the performers. Much laughter and applause rewarded the performers during the evening for their exertions.—San Francisco Daily Morning Call, June 17th, 1870.

THE BRITISH BLONDE BURLESQUE BRIGADE, who came tripping on on Thursday evening, were warmly received by a large audience. To see them is to be startled, dazzled, fascinated, overcome with admiration. They are all "stars" in their peculiar line, and are as perfect in burlesque as the most ardent admirer of this style of performance could desire. They opened in a very amusing burlesque entitled "Luna." The blondes sing, dance and act superbly; their costumes are rich and gorgeous and the house has been crowded to overflowing. They will doubtless fill the Opera House for several weeks.—Golden City, San Francisco, June 19, 1870.

ON THURSDAY one of the largest audiences ever assembled in Maguire's Opera House congregated together to witness the opening performance of the far famed BRITISH BLONDES. The entertainment commenced with the farce, "To Oblige Benson," in which Miss Weatherby appeared as Mrs. Trotter Southdown, and Harry Beckett as Mr. Trotter Southdown. These two established themselves at once in the favor of the audience. Beckett is an excellent comedian and certain to become a great favorite. Miss Weatherby possesses a splendid figure and expressive countenance. The burlesque of "Luna" followed, introducing the whole troupe of the burlesque performers. Miss Eliza Weatherby appeared as Endymion, and charmed the audience with her handsome person, fine singing and graceful dancing; Miss Ada Harland, as Cupid, led the troupe as a dancer, and received several bouquets for her performance. Miss Rose Massey appeared as Diana, goddess of hunting, and afterwards as Luna; Miss Massey is a strikingly handsome young girl; she is tall, graceful and exquisitely shaped. Mr. Harry Beckett as Actæon made a great hit, especially in a series of nonsensical verses, but witty verses, in which well known local characters were touched off. Mr. Ketchum was scarcely less successful. The leaders of the troupe are excellent singers and accomplished actors. The second and third nights of the blondes were no less successful than on the first. The Saturday matinee was densely crowded. At the express desire of many ladies there will be a grand "Luna" matinee on Wednesday afternoon.—Golden Era, San Francisco, June 19, 1870.

Regarding the burlesque of Maguire's, we went to Maguire's, expecting great things and were blessed to exactly that extent. The new company is good. If there is a lovelier, better formed, or more graceful girl than Rose Massey, anywhere around we are willing to hold a competitive examination and report on the subject. Ada Harland, who does Cupid, has a very nice face, and both sings and dances well. Eliza Weathersby (Endymion) is a poignant, jolly blonde, who carries all before her. Harry Beckett is undoubtedly a first rate low comedian and showed to advantage in the burlesque. G. F. Ketchum dressed and acted a very comical Pan. Maguire's burlesque season promises to be a decided success.—San Francisco News Letter, June 18, 1870.

THE BRITISH BLONDES, who made their debut before the San Francisco public at Maguire's Opera House, on Thursday evening, have taken the city by storm. Indisputable evidence of that fact was furnished by the enthusiastic demonstrations of pleasure which their performances have elicited from the densely crowded audiences that filled the theatre to overflowing the last two nights. Many persons on each evening were turned away on account of the lack of space in any part of the auditorium to accommodate them. The dramatic attractions chosen by the blonde troupe to begin their irresistibly charming assault on our theatre going public are the comedy of "To Oblige Benson" and the burlesque of "Luna." The former piece serves to introduce the company, and places them on the very best terms with their auditors, preparing them to be captured en masse by the second part of the entertainment. The performances of last evening passed off with even more eclat than upon the opening night. A better comedian than Harry Beckett has never been seen on the stage of this city, and his equal in burlesque acting has never visited this coast. His coadjutor, Mr. Ketchum, is extraordinarily comical, and is also a capital actor. Rose Massey, tall, graceful, exquisitely proportioned, Juno like in her style of beauty, who, as Luna, is transformed into a veritable Diana when the arrow of Cupid pierces her heart, again captivated the audience last evening. Her song and dance, "Love Among the Roses," achieved another triumph for the fair artiste. Miss Eliza Weatherby as the love lorn Endymion appears to excellent advantage, with her pleasing face, clear voice, charming elocution, finely developed form and winning manner. She was again the recipient of marked favors throughout the evening. Pretty, agile, scintillating Ada Harland, who enlivens like a fairy and sings beautifully, has become a special favorite. Miss Heathcote and the other members of the company are very efficient in their respective parts. The British Blondes are destined to prove popular favorites for a long season, if we may judge from the triumph they have already achieved.—San Francisco Figaro, June 18, 1870.

MAGUIRE'S OPERA HOUSE.—This popular theatre was crowded to suffocation last night (not an inch of room being unoccupied), when the famous British Blondes made their first appearance. The performance commenced with the capital farce, "To Oblige Benson," and in the character of Mr. Trotter Southdown Mr. Beckett at once proved to the audience that he was the very best low comedian we ever trod the boards of the San Francisco stage. The admirable manner in which he made all his points, the play of his features, and the expression he threw into his utterance, all betokened the finished artist. Mr. Beckett's fun is infectious; it sets the whole audience in a roar. Eliza Weatherby looked charming in the character of Mrs. Trotter Southdown, and played it in an unaffected, natural manner, which pleased every one. The audience, put in a thorough good humor by the farce, waited impatiently during the short interval which elapsed between its conclusion and the rising of the curtain on the first scene of the burlesque of "Luna." Miss Massey not only looks pretty but is a good burlesque actress, reading with thoroughly correct emphasis and very pleasing accent, and sings charmingly. Eliza Weathersby as Endymion looked so very pretty that it seemed a shame that she should not have the moon or anything else she cried for; her singing, dancing and acting were deliciously piquant. Ada Harland is a delightful little Cupid, sings beautifully and dances bewitchingly. Connie Thompson makes a pretty Arethusa. Miss Kate Heathcote as Endor, read, sang and acted well—but a carefully selected company of artists who all have talent and experience in their profession. G. F. Ketchum caused much amusement in the part of Pan. Maurice de Solla's fine voice was heard to advantage. E. H. Chapman was funny as the Doctor. We have not forgotten Harry Beckett, who throughout the piece seemed the spirit of mirth; he was very amusing throughout in the character of Actæon, and performed one of the most wonderfully ludicrous dances ever seen on any stage. The same entertainment will be presented to-night, and those who are not pleased with it must indeed be of that class whom it is impossible to please.

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